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Editor A. L. Goodrich

(Note: Through the cooperation of the editor's secretary and the printers we planned to use the editor's picture and the article below in the issue of Nov. 16. We were keenly disappointed when the picture we sent would not print and consequently the article could not appear. We believe you will appreciate our spirit in the matter and for that reason we are using it even though a week later than we had planned.)

We do not think it right for a good  
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## Opportunity Knocks At Baptist Doors

R. B. Gunter

He who said: "Opportunity knocks but once" must have known nothing of Baptists. For again and again has opportunity come to Mississippi Baptists as well as to Baptists all over the world. This last opportunity must be the Master's knock for it is offering an opportunity to render the kind of service which He rendered first, namely: restoring health to diseased bodies. He first healed. He then taught and preached so that disease might not return.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital finds itself crowded beyond its capacity. Suffering people come pleading for admission from week to week and have to be turned away because there is no room. The trustees and superintendent of the hospital, moved with compassion because of these continuous appeals, asked the recent session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention for authority to issue and sell \$200,000 worth of bonds and use the proceeds of the sale for erecting a new building. It was, however, thought best by a majority of the messengers present not to create new indebtedness. But there was unanimous vote for the hospital to appeal to the Baptists and others throughout the state for cash donations until the sum of \$200,000 has been raised.

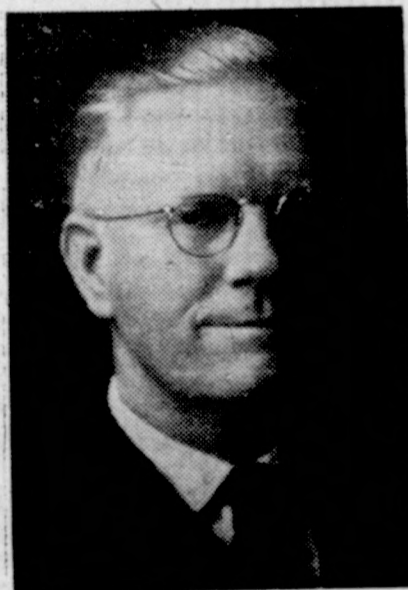
This is Another Great Opportunity  
The Roman Catholic people realized



## Officers For 1945 Mississippi Convention



DR. NORMAN W. COX,  
President



DR. W. A. BELL,  
Vice-President

the value of hospitals as evidenced by one of their leaders when he recently said: "We win more people to our faith by means of our hospitals than all other denominations win from us by their preaching." This writer heard recently in New Orleans the

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REV. W. L. MEADOWS,  
Vice-President



REV. GEORGE GAY,  
Secretary

## Dr. N. W. Cox Is Convention President

Dr. N. W. Cox, pastor, First Baptist Church, Meridian, was elected president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention at the Wednesday morning session. Other officers elected were: W. A. Bell, pastor, Parkway church, Jackson, and W. L. Meadows, pastor, First church, Quitman, vice-presidents; and George Gay, pastor, First church, Okolona, secretary. Mr. Gay succeeds Rev. W. E. Lee, Como, who served as secretary for 36 years. He has been in ill health for months and was unable to attend the Convention. The Convention adopted resolutions concerning him for his faithful service.

Last week's issue carried a report of the Tuesday afternoon session.

Tuesday night special music was rendered by the Orphanage Chorus under the direction of Miss Lois Page.

The nominating committee made the following report:

### Committee on Order of Business

1. Howard Spell—chairman.
2. Henry Love.
3. Gordon Sansing.
4. Thurman Booth.
5. Robert Crawford.

### Committee on Nominations

1. G. C. Hodge—chairman.
2. J. L. Sullivan.
3. R. A. Morris.

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## THE LITTLE BAPTIST

BY J. M. MARTIN

(With special permission of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, we present this story by J. M. Martin, a popular narrative. Follow it weekly. The book, The Little Baptist, may be purchased from your Baptist Book Store.—Editor.)

(Continued from Last Week)

At the next regular meeting of the church, the pastor, in accordance with his duty as defined on pages 514 and 515 of the Confession of Faith, announced that certain charges of errors in doctrine, and habitual expressions tending to produce discord in the church, had been made and sustained against Sister Amanda Brown, and that the session, after due deliberation, had, on behalf of the church, excluded her from their communion. He then read from the book (Confession of Faith): "When any offender has been adjudged to be cut off from the communion of the church, it is proper that the sentence be publicly pronounced against him." "The design of excommunication is to operate on the offender as a means of reclaiming him; to deliver the church from the scandal of his offense; and to inspire all with fear, by the example of his punishment."

He then pronounced the sentence in the following form:

"WHEREAS: Sister Amanda Brown hath been, by sufficient proof, con-

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## Sparks & Splinters

**Hickory Ridge church, Rankin county,** one of the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY churches, has called their pastor, Robert Dickson, for another year. They have also gone from one-fourth to one-half time preaching with services on the second and fourth Sundays.—Reporter.

**Benoit:** We have recently elected and ordained three new deacons for the Benoit church, and have added eleven names to our church roll.—E. G. Evans, pastor.

**Pastors!** You are the key that greatly assists in unlocking the hearts of your people to any worthy cause. The success of the offering for the orphanage depends largely upon your leadership. We are counting on you. Do not fail us.

**Mrs. Willie Spence of Carriere** sends a subscription for her brother, Private James F. Johnson, who is somewhere overseas. She says, "It may be a help in making these trying days brighter for him."

**Missionary Society presidents!** In some way to a great extent the orphanage officials and children look to you as substitute mothers for the boys and girls of the orphanage. We know we can count on your help at this Thanksgiving season.

**There are some 223 full time Baptist churches in the state.** Certainly all of these churches will make a liberal Thanksgiving offering to the orphanage at this Thanksgiving season. An average of \$100.00 from each church would almost reach the goal. Some will give more, perhaps a few will give less. Let us pray that all will do their very best.

**Artesia:** The church has 16 Baptist Records going into its homes with plans on foot to increase this number to nearly 25. Rev. Joe Abrams is pastor of the church.—Reporter.

**Officer (as company is temporarily about to vacate trench which has been reported mined):** "You two will remain here, and if there is an explosion you will blow a whistle. You understand?" Private Spuds: "Yes, sorr! Will we blow it going up or coming down, sorr?"

**There are approximately 500 half-time Baptist churches in the state.** These churches having services only twice each month. An offering from each of these churches should be forthcoming for the orphanage at Thanksgiving, or some time during the month of November.

**Judge:** "You are sworn to tell nothing but the truth." Rastus: "Nothin' but the truth, your honor?" Judge: "Precisely." Rastus: "Den, judge, wid dat limitation 'pon me, I might as well warn you dat I'm not goin' to have much to say."

**A proud mother walked into the furniture store of the E-zee Credit Company, clutching a small monthly payment.** She placed it on the counter happily. "Here," she said, "is the last installment on our baby carriage." "And how is the baby?" asked the clerk. "Fine," she replied. "He was drafted last month."

**There are more than 700 Missionary Societies in Mississippi.** These societies can always be counted on to make a liberal offering to all our worthy causes. We know they will do their best for the orphanage at this Thanksgiving season.

**The Baptist Orphanage Administrative Board,** together with faculty and children, shares with the large host of Mississippi Baptists the great loss sustained in the home-going of our dear Miss Frances Traylor, who for so many years served so effectively and sacrificially as state secretary of our W. M. U. department. She was a friend to everyone and to every cause dear to the heart of her Lord. She was a true and loyal friend to the work and ministry of the orphanage. Our loss is heaven's gain. Our deepest sympathy goes out to her family, loved ones and all Mississippi Baptists.

**Columbus, Ga.—(RNS)—Chapels of the 71st Infantry division in the Sand Hill area of Fort Benning,** world's largest infantry training school, were the scene of a five-day Protestant preaching mission, led by Dr. W. I. Howell of New York City, field representative of the Federal Council of Churches. Open to military and civilian personnel, services were held nightly in Sand Hill chapels and in the field. Other members of the mission team included Dr. Louie D. Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church in Atlanta and Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance; Dr. E. K. Reagin, president of Bethel College, McKenzie, Tenn.; Dr. Gaston Food, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Montgomery, Ala.; and Dr. N. P. Manning, pastor of Inman Park Methodist church, Atlanta.

**There are some 800 or more quarter time Baptist churches in the state.** These churches have service only once a month. We are sure these will cooperate by making an offering to the orphanage some time during the month of November as their Thanksgiving contribution to this worthy cause.

**Drew:** Our annual church letter to Sunflower Association revealed a healthy growth in our work. Total additions for the year, 82. Present membership, 615. Gifts for the local church, \$7,891.59. Gifts for missions and benevolences, \$6,203.55. Grand total, \$14,095.14.

**Bibles in Portuguese, the first ever to be printed in Brazil,** have come off the presses of the Baptist Publishing House of Rio de Janeiro. An edition of 22,600 was printed for the Brazilian Bible Press, a Bible society composed of missionaries and Brazilian pastors. If it were possible to bind all of this edition at once it would be sold by Christmas. There is truly a great "famine" for Bibles in Brazil.

**The October 22 offering at Holly Springs church of which Howard H. Aultman is pastor amounted to \$256.71.** Of this amount \$58.85 was received for state missions.

**Crystal Springs, Copiah county:** The following facts are taken from our letter to the association: During the past year ending October 1, 1944, 63 were baptized into the fellowship of our church, and total additions were 143. Our present membership is 1031, and we averaged 408 in attendance for the year in Sunday school. Mission gifts totaled \$8,061.55, and \$5,349.91 of this amount went through the Cooperative Program. Total expenditures for the year were \$29,974.21. We are indeed thankful to the Lord for this fine report made by the church. Only a few did this, and we wonder what could be done if every member did his part. Help us make this coming year the greatest yet.

**Perhaps no other orphanage in all the world is so bound up with the Sunday schools as ours.** Almost from the beginning our chief support has come from once a month collections from the Sunday schools. There are 2437 Sunday schools in North Carolina. If each of these schools would take a collection monthly and send it in it would enable our treasurer to pay all obligations promptly. So far the policy of the once a month collection, as adopted by the Baptist State Convention, has proved to be the most satisfactory method of financing the orphanage.—"Charity and Children," official publication of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina.

**There are some 1600 Baptist Sunday schools in Mississippi.** The orphanage would certainly be helped by a once a month collection from these schools. Perhaps it could be started by once a quarter collection, giving the fifth Sunday in each quarter for this purpose. However, just at the present time a once a year offering from these Sunday schools will be of great assistance. Sunday school superintendents, do not fail the children of the orphanage at this Thanksgiving season.

**There are more than 1600 Baptist Sunday schools in the state.** An offering from each of these Sunday schools will more than exceed the suggested goal of \$25,000.00 for the Orphanage at the Thanksgiving season.

**Stockholm.—(By Wireless to RNS)—**Nazi authorities in Germany have struck another blow at religion by forbidding chaplains to hold services in German prisons. An announcement in the latest issue of Deutsche Justiz, German law publication, states that religious services may not be held either for political or civil prisoners, and that no exception is to be made even in the case of prisoners awaiting execution. Prisoners of war, however, are not affected by the decree.

**Highland church, Meridian:** Our goal for the state mission offering in the W. M. U. was for \$200. We were delighted to see it reach \$300. There were 125 recorded contributors to this offering.

**Focus Week for R. A's (Juniors and Intermediates)** was observed recently by the New Hope church of Sunflower county. The boys took part in the Scripture reading and prayer and their hymn and watchword were used during the morning service. The group seated together was an inspiration to all who were present. On Tuesday afternoon of that same week the Brotherhood met with the boys at the church to help clean up the grounds and entertained them with a weiner roast as night came on. The week was climaxed by a mission study class and social hour in the home of Mrs. T. A. Parks. There were 29 present.

**L. C. Pinnix (Mississippian)** took up his work as pastor of First church, King's Mountain, North Carolina, on November 1. He went from the Jacksonville church in the same state.

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**London.—(RNS)—**A young Methodist minister, Rev. Kenneth Grayson, has been appointed assistant director of religious broadcasting for the British Broadcasting Company. It was announced here. He succeeds Rev. Eric Fenn, a Presbyterian, who resigned to become associate editor of the Student Christian Movement Press.

**The Baptist Hour goes on again at 7:30 CWT (8:30 EWT) Sunday mornings, January through March, 1945.** Write the Baptist Radio Committee, 427½ Moreland Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, for beautiful cards announcing speakers, subjects and stations, including 5c postage for each 100 cards. Secure enough for your church and entire community.—S. F. Lowe, director.

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**APPEAL BY GOVERNOR BROUGHTON FOR THANKSGIVING OFFERING**

The 1944 Thanksgiving offering for the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina should be substantially the largest in the history of the institution. The need is greater, the opportunity is larger and the ability to give is far in excess of anything ever experienced before. For twenty years I have been teacher of a men's Bible class in the Tabernacle Baptist Church. This class has found great pleasure in its monthly special offerings for the orphanage, but even more than these the members have found particular satisfaction in a special Thanksgiving offering as well as in the later special gifts made up for the Christmas season. I am proud of the record that has been made by the class. However, I find that in addition to all of this, I always want to have some special and personal part in the Thanksgiving offering, not because my gift will add substantially to the total, but because of the deep personal satisfaction that I derive from such gift. I commend to all Baptists and other friends of the orphanage the opportunity for genuine Thanksgiving satisfaction through mean of making a gift to the orphanage. I hope it will be much the largest offering ever received.—J. Melville Broughton, in Charity and Children of North Carolina.

(What Governor Broughton has said concerning the Baptists and Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina may be applied to Mississippi Baptists and the Baptist Orphanage of Mississippi. We claim for Mississippi Baptists the same loyalty, devotion and satisfaction. Make a gift to the Baptist Orphanage of Jackson, Mississippi, this Thanksgiving season.—W. G. Mize, superintendent.)

### DOXOLOGY!

First Church, Jackson, has put \$900 in their proposed budget for the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record. This measure has come from the budget committee and the Deacons and will be presented to the church on Sunday for final action.

**\$25,000.00 Cash Thanksgiving Offering For The Orphanage.**

Paul's Method: "I kept back nothing that was profitable, but have shewed you and taught you publickly, and from house to house." Acts 20:20

## Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:—  
"LOVE NEVER FAILS"  
1 Cor. 13:8b

Paul's Message: "Testifying both to the Jews, and also the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." Acts 20:21.

### I

The Mississippi Baptist Convention recently held was the best we have attended! It closed in the manifestation of as fine, Christ-like spirit as we have seen exemplified at any time, under any circumstances. While we were out of the auditorium in committee and individual conferences for much of the time, the only sharp difference of opinion that developed so far as we know was over the issuance of bonds for the Mississippi Baptist Hospital. Hospital employees, staff members and trustees have rendered a great service to suffering humanity through the years. For some years they have received only 1% of funds from the Cooperative Program. This amounted to approximately \$3,300 this year. For many years they have not asked for special funds from the denomination. They felt along with many others that they would be able to repay this money without calling on the denomination for any part of it. They were splendid in word and attitude in making their request.

On the other hand, there were many pastors and laymen who felt that we should enter on a "pay-as-you-go plan" in promoting the work of the Lord Jesus. Some messengers had been instructed by their churches to vote against any move that would plunge the denomination into debt. Others recall that the Convention had again and again voted against an increase in indebtedness as well as against any debts. On page 90 of the 1940 Convention Annual, the Convention took action as follows: "That the Convention reiterate its position taken for several years that no additional debts be made by any agencies of the Convention." Many pastors and laymen well know the anti-debt psychology controlling the thinking and actions of many Mississippi Baptists at this time. These were also sincere and altogether commendable in their words and manner. The vote was against a bond issue.

Then occurred one of the finest things we have had to happen in our ministry. Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, superintendent of the Baptist Hospital, spoke somewhat as follows in our presence: "It is all right. In prayer, I left it with the Lord last night. I take it that it was His will and that the right thing was done." This project means a great deal in the service and expansion of the hospital. It therefore, means a great deal to her and to her work. If all Mississippi Baptist leaders had manifested this spirit through the years, we tell you emphatically—Mississippi Baptists would have been on spiritual mountain tops long ago. We are glad to be able to add in sincerity and truth that some Baptist leaders have manifested such spirit through the years. We thank God for them.

Within two hours after the close of the Convention, Mr. D. C. Simmons, president of the trustees for the Mississippi Baptist Hospital, was in the office expressing his sincere appreciation of the entire situation and frankly stated that he felt the best course had been followed in view of all the circumstances. We know no finer Christian gentleman than Mr. Simmons. He evoked our admiration. We handed him a check on the building of this newly proposed hospital unit to care for the sick and suffering.

Baptist Hospital forces, at the moment of this writing, are planning to launch, under the instructions of the Convention, a campaign for \$200,000 for additional building space. We cannot see how Mississippi Baptists can fail to respond to such great Christian service. Healing was a part of the three-fold ministry of Jesus. Matthew 9:35.

Mississippi Baptists can always afford to do right. We believe it right that the full ministry of Jesus be carried on. Send your check through the Convention Board office for this great work. We will pass them along. Put an item in your 1945 church budget for this purpose.

### II

We say the recent session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention was the best we have attended because, first, all hours were uniformly high in information and inspiration. Second, no phase of the work, so far as we know, was overlooked. Third, it was one Convention in which not one unethical word was spoken or one bit of unethical spirit expressed so far as we heard or saw. God Almighty blesses that sort of Christian living.

We are indebted to the program committee members, Brethren P. I. Lipsey, Percy Cooper, C. C. Jones, Henry Love and Ray M. Dykes, for a well arranged program. The Convention was also blessed through the leadership of its officers, President E. C. Williams; Vice-Presidents L. E. Green, G. C. Hodge; and Recording Secretary George Gay. Brother Walton Lee, who has served faithfully as recording secretary for thirty-six years, was detained by illness and requested that the brethren not consider him again for this position. Institution and departments heads made splendid reports. We must not let down His work or workers at any point.

Bro. W. G. Mize, superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage, is in fine spirit regarding the action of the Convention in taking Mother's Day for the Baptist Hospital in this time of its stress. May has been hospital month for sometime in both the Southwide and state denominational calendars of activities.

We appreciate the fine cooperation that made the State Mission presentation, by far, the most complete we have had the privilege of seeing.

As long as Mississippi Baptists walk together in the spirit manifested in this Convention, we may rest assured that the support and results will be much larger than if we divide and become little in spirit. DOXOLOGY!

### III

In our opinion, the greatest single thing before Mississippi Baptists at this time is the 1945 Centennial Crusade with all of its far-flung implications. The Convention took action concerning it in the following emphatic declaration: "We accept the full challenge of the 1945 Centennial Crusade." That means having a part—and a large part—in the winning of one million per-

sons to Christ and church membership in 1945. That means having a part—and a large part—in the \$20,000,000 financial goal for state, Southwide and worldwide causes. It also includes the other four phases of the Crusade as rehabilitation, Christian education, enlistment and benevolences. The Executive Secretary of the Convention Board is general director for Mississippi. Dr. W. A. Bell, Jackson, is the evangelistic Crusade director, and the announcement of the other five directors will be made soon. We must do our part in this greatest of all Mississippi and Southern Baptist undertakings. Christ is at the heart of it. It involves the winning to Christ of multitudes and seeing them blessed in growing service. TO THE WORK!

### IV

#### Presenting a Partial Report of the MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD TO THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION Jackson, Mississippi, November 14-16, 1944 REPORT OF THE CONVENTION BOARD OFFICE D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary

"... When Jesus saw the multitudes He was moved with compassion on them..." Matthew 9:36.

In these tumultuous, busy days, needy multitudes are all about us. We have the city throngs, the rural areas, youth looking for leadership, age seeking strength, one million Negroes in our state, some Choctaws and Chinese. Jesus sees them and loves them. Mississippi Baptists love them too.

The ministry of Mississippi Baptists to these multitudes may be seen in part through the windows of our 1944 State Mission budget. We put \$11,000 into pastoral evangelism, or into helping over thirty (30) State Mission pastors preach Jesus every week in the year. We put \$4,250 into church building (evangelism), or helping provide twenty-four (24) houses of worship for the preaching of the Gospel. At least \$2,400 went into Bible institutes, and good literature among the Negroes. Some few hundred dollars went into the Indian work. Other direct evangelistic work was given \$12,400. Departments were given support in the following amounts: B. S. U. \$5,000, B. T. U. \$8,000, Sunday school \$10,000, W. M. U. \$13,250, and soldier work \$7,000. Two privately supported evangelists received \$6,100 salary and expenses, gospel literature \$1,000, and pastors' retirement \$11,500. Other kingdom items bring the 1944 State Mission total to \$111,400. Vast multitudes—700,000 lost—and 150 churchless areas, remain unreached in our state!

Along with the splendid local pastor and church efforts the above work helped in bringing 11,693 people to Christ in 1943. We believe it will be more in 1944. Certainly the great Crusade in 1945 should see great increases at this point.

The five best years' records in baptisms for Mississippi Baptists are as follows:

1939	12,282
1940	13,367
1941	11,232
1942	12,232
1943	11,693

Out of compassion for the multitudes—giving the gospel to the lost, direction and training to the saved, and help to the sick and orphans—Mississippi Baptists have gone above all-time contributions to all causes for the past Convention year.

Our best five years in figures are:

1944	\$880,758.30
1943	745,505.75
1920	699,994.91
1942	575,909.51
1921	539,303.29

If we reach our 1945 Crusade goal the total must soar to \$1,200,000 for all causes of Christ.

### V

#### RECOMMENDATIONS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD AS AMENDED AND PASSED

We recommend—

1. That as early as practicable we proceed in erecting our Baptist building.
2. That we employ as soon as is practicable a state music director, the Sunday School Board paying one-third of salary.
3. That a state Brotherhood secretary be employed.
4. That a Mississippi Baptist Handbook be prepared for general use, and for study in schools of missions.
5. That the Radio Committee study the whole question of a Gospel radio for Mississippi, and pledge cooperation with the Southern Baptist Convention Radio Commission.
6. That we enlarge our work with the races.
7. That \$10,000 or a similar sum be made available for increasing demands in associational mission work.
8. That we look to establishing at Clarke College a one or two months certificate Bible course for our pastors who prefer it, and that state mission funds be made available for this work. (We have a communication from Clarke College inviting cooperation.)
9. That we call our people to prayer, preaching and support of all the work of the Lord Jesus.
10. That we accept the full challenge of the 1945 Centennial Crusade.
11. That we go on in all the work of Christ.

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### A WORTHY AND CHALLENG- ING GOAL FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

1. Every Mississippi Baptist Church contributing through the Cooperative Program.
2. Every Mississippi Baptist Church sharing in the Now Club.
3. A summer assembly.
4. A State Brotherhood secretary.
5. A full-time worker with the Negroes.
6. A worker at Whitfield.
7. Two rural evangelists instead of one.
8. A full-time Indian worker.
9. A Baptist Building in Jackson.
10. Associational missionaries.
11. Enlarged soldier work.
12. Mississippi Baptists out of debt.
13. A Sunday school, a Training Union, a Woman's Missionary Union, and a Brotherhood in every church.
14. A music director.
15. The Baptist Record in every home.

### CONGRATULATIONS, RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD

We have received a copy of the annual report of the Executive Secretary, the treasurer, the finance committee, the advisory committee and the special memorial committee of the Relief and Annuity Board. The report is a good word picture of our Relief and Annuity Board. Figures show that the resources twenty years ago where \$1,964,000; on October 1, 1944, they were \$7,500,000.

The greatest progress has been made in the last five or six years, with the promotion and adoption of the Minister's Retirement Plan and the related plans.

To the Executive Secretary, Dr. Thomas J. Watts, and all his associates we offer heartiest congratulations. Dr. Watts is now in his twentieth year as Executive Secretary.

### A GREAT CONVENTION

We have been a Mississippi Baptist for fifteen years and have attended every Convention since 1930 (we moved to Mississippi in 1930). We cannot speak concerning earlier conventions, but we consider the 1944 Convention one of, if not the greatest Convention we have attended since we adopted Mississippi.

The folks came with a joyful yet serious mind. Few stayed in the vestibules. The order was above the average. The reports and addresses were of unusually high order.

The people were in a joyful mood because the huge debt that has shackled us for years was practically paid. They were in a serious mood for although Mississippi Baptist affairs are in the best shape in our history, yet they realized that there is still much to be done.

It is needless to review the reports. An account of the Convention appears in another column.

We do want to commend the fine spirit of everybody. For instance, the question of granting permission to the hospital to borrow \$200,000 for needed expansion was debated for more than two hours. Both sides were supported by men of convictions. Yet no ugly word, no dark insinuation left the lips of anyone.

There is a fine spirit of devotion to the Lord's work and a greater degree of devotion, harmony and cooperation than we have ever seen.

### THE HOSPITAL WON

As most of our readers know by now, the Mississippi Baptist Convention by a small majority voted not to approve a proposed \$200,000 loan by the Baptist Hospital to be used to erect a much needed addition.

Soon after the vote had been taken, Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, Baptist Hospital superintendent, said, "It is all right. Last night as I prayed, I left it with God and I accept the decision as being for the best."

In a later conversation with the editor of The Baptist Record, she said, "I consider it a victory for the Baptist hospital. Now many over the state will contribute toward the erection of the annex."

Yes, the hospital won. It won new friends by the magnanimous actions of its friends, its trustees and its superintendent.

We recall occasions when adverse votes resulted in hot words, ugly threats and a general cry-baby attitude. Regardless of a person's opinion concerning the hospital proposal, the attitude of the superintendent and the equally

Christian attitude of the trustees as set forth on page one should win friends for the hospital and influence old ones to a more generous support.

Not only did the hospital win friends, but it set a worthy example for all of us to follow at coming conventions if we happen to be on the side with the fewer votes.

### THANKSGIVING

Though the war clouds envelope us and the death messages depress us, yet on this Thanksgiving Day let us "In everything give thanks" (I Thess. 5:18).

In the midst of history's greatest, bloodiest, deadliest war there is much for which we can be thankful.

1. So far, this war period has not experienced any great epidemic of disease. Some of us remember World War I when influenza was a world scourge and we also remember that it was far more deadly than the front line trenches. Let us give thanks for health much above that expected during war times.

2. Ungrateful indeed would he be who is not thankful for the general material prosperity. More people have more money than ever before. More churches are doing likewise.

3. Every heart should constantly thank God that our armies (which we believe are fighting for the right against the wrong) are gradually winning the war. To be sure, many of our sons will not come back, but theirs was a sacrifice that we might live without wearing the yoke of a godless dictator.

4. Our readers, though not exulting in the terrible situation of other nations should give everlasting thanks unto God for the fact that we have been spared the ravages of war. Our homes have not been burned, our loved ones remain unharmed and our property is still in our control.

5. Unusually good crops should be the cause of continued thanks to a merciful and loving God.

6. Our thanks should be long and loud to God for permitting Mississippi Baptists to get out of debt. We will be that way in a few days. Only a few years ago many thought our debt situation hopeless. But thanks to our God and to unusually wise leadership, we are getting out.

"In everything give thanks."

The orphanage boys and girls have educational advantages that compare favorably with those offered by other schools of the state. Last year attendance in school reached almost 99 per cent, due to the general good health of the children and almost total absence of any contagious disease.

## NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB  
A Debtless Denomination Before 1945

### HONESTY - LOYALTY - VICTORY

"Talk no more so exceedingly proudly; let not arrogance come out of your mouth; for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by His actions are weighed."—I Samuel 2:3.

"And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment."—Phil. 1:9.

### Christian Education

We are justly happy over the progress made by our institutions in maintaining patronage and increasing financial strength under most adverse conditions.

For twenty-five (25) years and more, Christian Education in Mississippi has been loaded with debt. We now stand on the verge of a debtless day. Our debt as of November 1, was \$23,575.47. We will definitely be out of debt by the time of our big debt-free celebration on December 12th.

For this Convention year, however, it is recalled that the 1943 Convention set up the following schedule: \$23,575.47 balance due as of November 1, \$24,083.69 promised Blue Mountain College, and \$24,083.69 promised Woman's College, making a total of \$71,742.85 in contributions already scheduled for this Convention year. These items have priority over any other items in keeping faith with Mississippi Baptists.

Let us use God's plan in supporting all the work of God—I. e. tithes and offerings!

Reports from the institutions followed.

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The thought of being out of debt is thrilling multiplied thousands of Mississippi Baptists. We think we can tell you with certainty that we will be out of debt—actually—really—finally, December 7th, 1944. That means you have only TWO MORE WEEKS in which to contribute to the debt-paying effort through the Now Club. Let us not just "crawl out"! Let us do it in a BIG WAY! Make a thank offering! Let every treasurer send his December Now Club money to this office by December SEVENTH, next! We will come to our "Debt-Free" celebration December 12th, in the spirit of tremendous VICTORY!

### LUDLOW SOLDIER WRITES FROM FRANCE

In reading the Record I find some very interesting subjects.

I try to keep up with the honor roll and the calls and accepted, too, because when this is over I intend to take up the work of the Lord. In regard to my home church, I hope they are doing their part in all important matters.

I find the services we have here very comforting no matter what chaplain, whether it be one service or a combined one.

I have a squad that is very good in that respect. They are all willing and want to go to services and I am thankful for that.

John said, "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life."

In honor of my church, Ludlow, Miss.

Ever yours,  
Sgt. James E. Fitzhugh.

## THE LITTLE BAPTIST

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victed of publicly disseminating doctrines contrary to the faith and practice of the church, and after much admonition and prayer, obstinately refuseth to hear the church, and hath manifested no evidence of repentance, therefore, in the name, and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, I pronounce her to be excluded from the communion of the church."

"It is due to Sister Brown, perhaps," he remarked, "to say that there has been no impeachment of her moral character, no allegation against her piety. It was because of the dissemination of views opposed to our doctrine and practice as a church that made her expulsion necessary. The harmony of feeling and unity of sentiment in a church is of the highest importance to its welfare, and it became a matter of necessity to purge out the leaven of heresy that had begun to work. For as the Scripture doth truly say: 'How can two walk together except they be agreed?'"

The exclusion of Mrs. Brown from the church, as might well be supposed, was a subject of much talk in the community, and many were the guesses as to what would be her future course.

It was but a short time after the church trial until Mr. Jones, a neighbor, called on her, accompanied by a stranger, whom he introduced as Dr. Atwood, and who, she soon ascertained, was a preacher of that system of doctrines known as Campbellism. The title of Doctor, however, had relation to medicine rather than to divinity.

Dr. Atwood had recently organized a small church in the town, and being desirous of gaining more members and knowing Mrs. Brown to be a convert to immersion, he thought she would probably unite with his church. Several hours had been spent in conversation relative to the different denominational peculiarities, in which he had taken special pains to represent his own in the most favorable light. Finally his conversation was directed to Mellie, to whom he remarked: "I can see no reason why anyone who is inclined to be an immersionist cannot unite with the Christians. There is a great similarity—in fact but little difference between them and the Baptists."

Mellie smiled, and softly and pleasantly inquired, "Are not all true believers in Jesus Christ, Christians? The world has given the different denominations their names, and they accept them, and since the world has given you a name, too, why do you not accept it? Then, when you wish to be more explicit, say you are a Campbellite Christian, as distinguished from Baptist Christian, Methodist Christian, etc. And as regards a similarity between your doctrine and the Baptists, excepting the action of baptism, it appears to me, nothing can be farther from the fact. I understand you to believe that baptism is essential to salvation, while Baptists

teach that salvation is essential to baptism. You deny the doctrine of inherent total depravity, which is the very foundation of Baptist theology. Baptists teach regeneration by the direct agency of the Holy Spirit, which you deny. Baptists teach that religion is spiritual in its nature, while you seem only to regard it as a mental exercise. You teach that regeneration is only a reformation of life, while Baptists believe that it is a radical change of the moral nature, followed by reformation as its fruits. You baptize to make disciples; Baptists baptize on a profession of discipleship. You are a stranger to me, but your doctrine is not new. I have read it from books; heard it from the pulpit; and find that you run in the familiar channel. It seems to me that your teaching is contradictory."

"Why, Miss," said the doctor, "you interest me by your ingenuity, as much as you astonish me by your boldness. And now you will please point out some of the contradictions."

"Well," replied Mellie, "you profess to believe that there was a necessity for the mediation of Christ, and that beside Him there is no Saviour, and yet you deny man's total depravity, or entire helpless condition. You deny the operation of the Holy Spirit only through the written word—deny the direct influence on the heart. It appears to me, that to make up a consistent system of theology, requires three things: 1st. Total ruin, or moral depravity. 2nd. The mediation and atonement of Christ; and 3rd. The application of the virtues of this atonement to the sinners' heart, so that its effects shall be experimentally realized. Taking out the idea of total depravity, you render useless the mediation of Christ; and in denying the experimental evidence of the work of the Holy Spirit in regeneration, you deny the efficacy of Christ as a sacrifice. Thus one part of your system overturns another, and, as a whole, it is inconsistent, contradictory and self-destructive. The world is beginning to realize this fact, although you may not be prepared at this time to admit it."

"Strange! Strange! Perhaps it is true that every generation gets wiser," said Dr. A.

"After a few minutes spent by the doctor in trying extricate his doctrine from the charge of inconsistency, the following dialogue ensued:

Mellie—You are a physician, are you not?

Dr. A.—I am.

Mellie—You have administered medicine to the sick, I presume.

Dr. A.—I have.

Mellie—Does your medicine usually have an effect upon your patients?

Dr. A.—It goes, generally.

Mellie—When it has the desired effect, the disease is removed and the patient restored to health.

Mellie—When the medicine has no effect, what is the result?

Dr. A.—In severe cases, the patient dies.

Mellie—Well, doctor, suppose there

had been no such thing as disease, would you have undergone the labor and study of preparing yourself for the practice of medicine?

Dr. A.—Certainly not; because in that case a physician would be altogether useless.

Mellie—Well, suppose that notwithstanding there is disease, that people need healing, and yet can experience no beneficial results from the use of medicine—allowing that if medicine does the sick man any good, the fact is experientially known—would there be any use for a physician?

Dr. A.—No; no more than in the other case.

Mellie—Well, again: Suppose a malignant disease breaks out in the country, the people are all sick and in danger of death, but you, as a great philanthropist, prepare a remedy, and, through kindness, you proclaim that relief is in the reach of all, that the remedy is sure, and offered without money and without price—whosoever will, may apply and be healed. But if this be all that is done, will the people be cured?

Dr. A.—Of course not, unless the remedy is applied—unless the medicine is taken according to the prescription.

Mellie—When the medicine is taken, what must the effect be in order to prevent death?

Dr. A.—The disease must be eradicated—the system cleansed, and the patient restored to health.

Mellie—Could this be done and the patient not sensible of the fact—not know experientially of the change or cure effected?

Dr. A.—I never knew a case in which the patient did not realize the change. If a sick man is made well, of course he knows it.

Mellie—Well, doctor, the Bible pronounces sin a disease, declares the whole human race to be affected by it, and in danger of eternal death. The virtue of the blood of Christ is offered as the remedy, to which all may come and be made whole. The Holy Spirit offers to apply this remedy to all who will come with faith in its merits, and promises that all who partake of it shall be made new creatures, and have God's Spirit to bear witness with theirs that they are passed from death unto life. Now, if the remedy is applied and the disease cured, the sinner must experientially realize the effect—must experience a change of heart, of motives, of feelings, desires and aspirations. But if there were no disease, the remedy would be useless; unless applied the remedy becomes of no avail, and if applied, and no effect produced, it is worthless, and if an effect is produced, and yet not sufficient to be sensibly ascertained by the sufferer, it is certainly of doubtful value."

Mellie was, in reality, a "Little Baptist" in theory, in every since of the word. There seemed not to be a single doctrine or practice common to the denomination that she had not found a satisfactory reason for in the Bible. But, as will ever be the case with all who closely investigate it, the difference between the Baptists and all other denominations became more and more striking, the more she examined the subject. There are leading fundamental principles distinguishing them as a peculiar people, that cannot be given up without sacrifice of what they believe to be the vital doctrines of the gospel, and, taking TRUTH for their watchword, they will never remain unmoved, though the rest of the Christian world



R. Y. GERRARD NOW SERVES  
CENTER TERRACE

Graduating from the Southern Seminary last May with the Th.M. degree, R. Y. Gerrard has accepted the pastorate of Center Terrace church, Canton, succeeding Rev. C. O. nary days he was pastor of Goshen church in Baptist Association (Ky.).

Mrs. Gerrard is the former Mary Lou Booker of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky. She is a graduate of Bethel Woman's College (Hopkinsville, Ky.), and Eastern Kentucky State Teachers' College in Richmond, Ky.

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The Sunday school of the Sandersville Baptist Church with an enrollment of 113 averaged 79 in attendance for the month of October. The offering through the Sunday school for the month was \$140.15, or an average of \$28.03 per Sunday. The church, under the leadership of Pastor M. C. Therrell, has recently completed the building of five new Sunday school rooms, and is now planning the re-covering and redecorating of the auditorium. November started off well, promising to surpass October. There were 93 in Sunday school with an offering of \$32.17 on November 5.—Mrs. A. Hardee, superintendent.

Many orphanages throughout the Southern Baptist Convention have set a goal for their orphanage much higher than the goal of \$25,000.00 for our own Mississippi Baptist Orphanage. Perhaps their needs are greater, but we know that they do not love their children more than we love our boys and girls. Let your love for boys and girls of your own Baptist Orphanage determine the amount you give to this cause this Thanksgiving season.

Calvary, Greenwood: In a quiet way the men of the Sunday school made up the money with which to purchase a nice Bible for Rev. L. D. Sellers who lost his Bible in the recent episode with the robbers who took his automobile. A neat little sum was collected.

Rev. L. D. Sellers, who has been pastor of Mt. Pisgah church in Carroll county for 22 years will preach for them in a revival the week of November 19.

We have heard many people say, "There is no cause that is closer to the hearts of our people than the orphanage. Actions speak louder than words. Let us put our words into action by making an offering to the orphanage this Thanksgiving season.

stands arrayed against them. Having professed allegiance to Christ, they cannot shun to declare His truth as they understand it, nor depart from obedience to His laws.

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## MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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12. That a full-time worker for Whitfield and other hospitals be employed as soon as practicable.

13. That a page in the annual be given in memorial to Miss Fannie Traylor.

14. That we urge all agencies receiving funds from the Cooperative Program, really to cooperate with that Program, and that we further urge the churches to place their major financial emphasis on the Cooperative Program.

15. The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board recommends to the Convention that it vote the whole-hearted approval of the fine work of our Executive Secretary, D. A. McCall.

# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

## OUR STATE OFFICERS

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Letters of particular interest, as we approach the Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions:

Dear Friends,

This is the second time, as some of you know, that I have resorted to a mimeographed letter, but I do believe that each of you will forgive me for you know that ordinarily I try to do my part in correspondence. The first such letter was to let you know of our hurried flight to safety from war-torn Yugoslavia. And as in that case, so in this, I rely on the mimeograph as being the quickest way of letting the many of you know that we have left the United States and are en route, in circuitous fashion, for our country of Yugoslavia. (Sept. 26.)

I am sorry that I cannot give you an account of the trip for I believe it would be interesting, but perhaps that will come later. I am writing this before leaving home and it is to be mailed when we cable that we have landed somewhere. In that way you will know more quickly what has become of us. (Cable received Nov. 2nd.)

This time we shall not be entering Yugoslavia as missionaries alone for we have the responsibility of helping to enable the people there get back on their feet. The route is circuitous, of course, for Yugoslavia is not yet open for entrance, but we shall possibly have the privilege of working in one of the several refugee camps in Egypt where there are many thousand Yugoslavs.

So many people have asked about our present status in connection with the Foreign Mission Board and the new relief organization and also questions about the organization, that perhaps that information will be of interest to you. We are still your missionaries (unless you're not a Southern Baptist!) and have merely been loaned temporarily to do relief work under what is called UNRRA, one of those initial organizations. Its full name is United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. It is an international body formed by forty-four nations to pool their efforts and available resources to meet the emergency needs created by the war in areas from which the enemy is driven. It is to help the people help themselves and so end the need for relief. The program includes the provision of food, clothing, temporary shelter, medical aid, health and welfare services; arrangements for the return of prisoners of war, exiles and other displaced persons to their homes; aid in restoring urgently needed agriculture and those industries essential to relief; and aid in repairing public utilities such as water, light, and power, transportation, sanitation and communications for immediate restoration of essential services. The organization is not supposed to do anything these countries can do for themselves. Of course these emergency needs have to be met to insure victory and it is really an investment in future peace.

Please pray for us.

Till we meet again,

MRS. JOHN ALLEN MOORE.

Address:

UNRRA, APO 787, % Postmaster  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Friend:

So many wonderful things have happened since I last wrote that I scarcely know where to begin. Suppose I begin with just being thankful. Jesus ever so gently rebuked the disciples when they said that even the spirits were subject to them by reminding them to rejoice that their names were written in heaven. That runs through and blesses all the experiences of life whether they be of victory or defeat. When God's word calls to us to "Rejoice" we always have something for which to rejoice.

We have finished another fruitful year at the Bible school. Last year, you may remember we graduated our first student, Edith Matsuda. This year we graduated two young men, Minoru Taira and Mitsuji Fujita. Both have finished high school, and the Bible school, and both of them plan to finish universities if the Lord is willing. Both of them have been engaged to exceptionally fine Christian young women. I said "have been" because Minoru culminated his engagement yesterday by marrying his beloved! I think I do not know a young woman with more Christian grace and faith than she. She received much of her training from Seventh Day Adventists. She has given up their errors and kept the finest things they have to teach, such as zeal, tithing and a love of God's word. Mitsuji has his face set toward Japan and there he hopes to finish his education and labor among his own people. He has spent most of his life there, and we hope can return with little or no prejudice against him. For these four I am thankful.

This year as a part of the growth of our Sunday school, my Sunday school class of a dozen girls and women was divided. The women remained in the Adult department and my half dozen girls became the nucleus of the Young People's department. We had in our church a grand young service man, Raymond Rigdon, who was formerly state Sunday school Young People's worker in Georgia. He became teacher of the young men's class and superintendent of our department. My class has grown to have over 30 members in spite of marriages, movings, going to the States and giving up some members to be teachers in other departments of the Sunday school. The girl who went to the States is Dorothy Chong, a Chinese. After four years at Baylor she hopes to go to the W. M. U. Training School to further prepare for a life of service in China. I have much to be thankful for among them, have I not?

We had a grand V. B. S. at Olivet. It was not as large as last year (250 versus 215). But nearly all of the city schools had summer sessions this year with the hope that it might help lower the very high juvenile delinquency record of our city. There were many happy experiences in those three weeks of work but I want to tell you of one of the results. After the school was over for two or three weeks I was calling one day and met incidentally

one of the girls from my 10-year-old work table. She had never been a member of Sunday school and practically her first touch with Christianity had been Vacation Bible School. When our Vacation Bible School closed she had organized one which she called "Holiday Club," with 10 children who live in her lane; had had them memorize all the Scripture verses she had on her memory cards, she had retold them the stories she had heard and had devised the cutest little hand work you ever saw! In that I am thankful for the very genius of the Christian religion.

Our church continues to grow and develop in our new plant, the old Hawaiian Trade School in the same block with our former church which we still own, and use, for the Japanese speaking congregation, some Sunday school departments, etc. Our Sunday school has been having recently an average attendance of over 350. Our W. M. U. family has a total membership of 132.

I believe I always begin and end my letters with the Bible school. In the objects for prayer for the Hawaiian Islands to be used during the December Season of Prayer this year there is one item which reads, "A well qualified man for the presidency of the Baptist Bible School of Hawaii. In July, God answered that prayer in sending us Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Anderson. (She is the over and above!) I taught him at B. B. I. and know him to have a fine, well-trained mind and deep consecration. When God in such concrete terms answered our prayers we have the feeling that faith has indeed become sight!

Now may God bless us and keep us close to Himself. When I write you again I pray that peace will have come to this war-torn world.

Lovingly yours,

HANNAH PLOWDEN.

P. S.—A whole new chapter opens with this postscript. I am moving to another island to begin Baptist work there. It is not much more of a surprise to you than it was to me. We had four new single women missionaries to come out very recently. Our already established work was too small to absorb all of their fine strength and abilities, so we could and should open new work. It seemed to me good consecrated common sense to put an experienced worker in a new place and put the new workers in established work. Edwin Dozier and I went over for three days this past week to establish a beachhead, so to speak. He held services in Japanese on our three evenings there, the number of people attending the services were respectively: sixty, one hundred fifteen and one hundred seventy-five. Many of them were Young People and Intermediates who are able to speak English, and they promised to come to Sunday school and Bible classes when I go there to live.

The housing problem is as real there as anywhere in our country. We could find nothing for rent, but we found a fairly good residence in a perfect location for sale. We have cabled the Board asking permission to

buy it. We were able to get a Y. M. Buddhist Society hall for our assembling. There is very little Protestant Christianity on the island. Catholicism, Buddhism and Mormonism are much in evidence. We saw and felt that there were great needs and great opportunities. I know it will have its difficulties and at times I may be lonely, but I have a Yoke-fellow who has overcome the world. I am grateful to be remembered in your prayers. Just now, especially, I am standing in the need of them. I shall be glad to hear from you when you can write.

Yours,

Hannah.

## TAKE THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS NOW, SAYS DR. DILLARD

There has never been a time in Southern Baptist history when the every-member canvass was of as great importance as it is now. The financial support of all our work depends upon it, says Dr. J. E. Dillard, Southwide promotion secretary. And besides this—

We are to celebrate the Centennial of the Southern Baptist Convention. We have a goal of \$20,000,000 for the support and enlargement of our state and southwide work, and for the rehabilitation of our mission work in the war-blasted areas. Every dollar and more is needed. And remember—

\$20,000,000 is \$6,500,000 or 50% more than we raised last year. It calls for unusual, even heroic effort. And you know—

We ought to raise this money mostly through the Co-operative Program. This is our main stay for the present and future support of all our causes. And of course you know—

The Co-operative Program is put on by the annual every-member canvass. If we neglect, or fail, or only partly succeed in putting it on we shall fail to reach our goal and all our causes will suffer. And bear in mind—

Subscriptions for the Co-operative Program for 1945, the Centennial year, will be taken in November and December of this year. The time is short; the call is urgent, so—

Let's make immediate and thorough preparation. Let's put on the every-member canvass promptly, patiently, prayerfully, and persistently. Let's give a larger percentage to our co-operative causes. Let's enlist every member in the intelligent, cheerful, systematic, and larger support of every cause. Let's stress the tithe as the minimum standard of Christian giving.

## Crowning a Century for Christ

Cross Roads Baptist Church, located in Reed's settlement, Choctaw county, was recently organized with 18 members. The organization followed a revival conducted by Rev. Walker and some young people from Mathiston church. Work has already been started on a house of worship. Any who wish to contribute to the building fund of this new church may send their gifts to S. M. Fant, treasurer of the building fund, Mathiston, Miss.

## GOING PLACES

IT IS FORTY-FIVE by  
Convention Time



### Endville is Number 761

One of the latest EVERY FAMILY churches is Endville, Pototoc county. The pastor is Rev. A. B. Jones, who is also pastor at Sherman. Having tried the EVERY FAMILY Plan at Sherman and found it a good thing, he wanted it at Endville. He proposed it and the people adopted it. They did this in spite of the fact that they now have a building program. J. W. Simmons is chairman of the building committee and Miss Vashti Potter is chairman of the finance committee.

Pontotoc county now has Record readers as follows: CHERRY CREEK 39, Duncan Creek 6, ECRU 109, FURRS 32, LONGVIEW 77, PONTOTOC FIRST 207, Randolph 2, TOC-COPOLA 28, TOXISH 21, Zion 17, Cary Springs 1, CENTER HILL 13, Shady Grove 2, ENDVILLE 31.

### Ebenezer Is In

James E. Bailey, Jr., pastor of Ebenezer church in Tate county having tried the EVERY FAMILY Plan before, lost no time in leading Ebenezer to see the value of The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Tate county Record readers are now listed as follows: EBENEZER 10, Arkabutla 2, CENTRAL (COLDWATER) 41, MT. ZION 50, SENATORIA 102, WYATT 12, Tyro 1, Bethel 1, Mt. Manna 1, EVANSVILLE 23.

### Another Mt. Vernon Is In

Not only is Mt. Vernon church in Lowndes county an EVERY FAMILY church, but so is Mt. Vernon in Lauderdale county. The pastor, L. O. Dewease of Mississippi College, recently brought in a list of names with the information that he wanted his members to keep up with affairs at home and abroad.

Lauderdale county has Record readers listed as follows: MT. OLIVE 14, BETHANY 26, COLLINSVILLE 18, Daleville 10, FELLOWSHIP 41, GOODWATER 14, Hickory Grove 2, Hickory Ridge 9, MERIDIAN HIGHLAND 271, Hopewell 1, KEWANEE 12, LAUDERDALE 13, LIBERTY 15, MACEDONIA 19, MARION 18, MEEHAN 11, MIDWAY 18, 15TH AVE, MERIDIAN 278, MERIDIAN FIRST 509, CAUSEYVILLE 42, Calvary 1, MT. VERNON 17, EIGHTH AVE., 80, 41ST AVE., 241, MT. GILEAD 32, MT. NEBO 12, NEW HOPE 43, OAK GROVE 18, PINE GROVE 61, POPLAR SPRINGS 114, RUSSELL 18, SOUTHSIDE 160, Toomsuba 12, UNION 1, Bonia 2, PROVIDENCE 19, HEBRON 33, NEW ZION 16, Center Grove 1.

### Pace is Number 762

Having tried the EVERY FAMILY Plan at Duncan, Rev. H. J. Logan who recently accepted the pastorate at Pace for half-time, lost no time in suggesting the EVERY FAMILY Plan at Pace. As usual they adopted it.

Bolivar county's Record readers now are listed as follows: Benoit 3, BOYLE 68, CLEVELAND FIRST 173, DUNCAN 29, GUNNISON 13, INTERSTATE 30, MERIGOLD 37, MORRISON CHAPEL 29, PACE 29, Providence 6, ROSEDALE 43, SHADY OAK 10, Shaw 4, SHELBY 64, SKENE 39, Stringtown 1, WAXHAW 13, BOLIVAR MISSION 26, MISSION POINT 28, ROCHDALE 14, Centerfield 5.

### Shiloh is Number 760

Calhoun county is rapidly becoming one of our better Baptist Record counties. One of the latest churches to join the list of EVERY FAMILY churches is Shiloh, Mrs. Carmack Merritt, treasurer.

### Holly Helps

Holly church in Alcorn county, R. L. Ray, Jr., pastor, helped us get beyond the 45,000 mark in circulation.

Alcorn county Record readers are listed as follows: First, Corinth 12, HOLLY 27, HINKLE CREEK 41, Kemps Chapel 3, KOSSUTH 43, Liberty Hill 2, RIENZI 43, TATE STREET 63, TISHOMINGO CHAPEL 35, WEST CORINTH 42, ANTIOCH 20, Jacinto 10, Lovejoy 2, Cross Road 1, GLENDALE 27, Wheeler Grove 1, Mt. Hebron 1, NEW PROSPECT 21, Shiloh 8.

### Metts Does It Again

Mathiston is number 765 on The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan. Having tried The Baptist Record at Maben and other churches, Pastor D. M. Metts, Sr., has led the church at Mathiston to make The Baptist Record a part of the program.

Record readers in Webster county are listed as follows: MATHISTON 48, Edgewater 6, BETHEL 13, Bluff Springs 3, CROSS ROADS 30, DOUBLE SPRINGS 17, EUPORA 91, Harmony 1, FELLOWSHIP 15, MANTEE 30, NEW HOPE 26, Pilgrim's Rest 3, SABOUGLA 34, Walthall 1, Capa 1.

### Roundaway is Number 763

Knowing the value of the EVERY FAMILY Plan in other pastorates, Rev. C. C. Carraway, who serves Roundaway in connection with his pastorate at Boyle, has led them to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Recently 51 names were sent and these added to the two paid subscriptions give Roundaway a total of 53.

Sunflower county now has Record readers as follows: BETHEL 16, BLAINE 15, DOCKERY 13, DODDSVILLE 17, DREW 123, FAIRVIEW 30, INDIANOLA 167, INVERNESS 68, HOLLY GROVE 17, LYNN 84, MOORHEAD 96, NEW HOPE 46, ROME 34, ROUNDWAY 53, RULEVILLE 56, SUNFLOWER 40, BETHANY 56.

### Macedonia in Tippah Sends List

Rev. D. S. Tidwell never does things by halves. He recently sent two EVERY FAMILY lists. One of them was Macedonia in Tippah. He now has all of his churches except one on the EVERY FAMILY Plan and he says it won't be long!

Tippah county Record readers are listed as follows: MACEDONIA 22, CHALYBEATE 42, BLUE MOUNTAIN 127, Dumas 2, FALKNER 69, Fellowship 2, HARMONY 20, MT. HEBRON 18, MT. OLIVE 36, PINE GROVE 41, PLEASANT HILL 26, PROVIDENCE 33, RIPLEY 73, TIPLERSVILLE 21, WALNUT 42.



### NATIONWIDE BIBLE READING, THANKSGIVING TO CHRISTMAS

The Nationwide Bible Reading from Thanksgiving to Christmas, sponsored by the American Bible Society, had its beginning in a Bible reading emphasis last spring suggested by Baptists in Texas and promoted throughout that state by the American Bible Society and churches of many denominations.

In this Bible reading program, conducted on a scale never before attempted in our country, members of the armed forces and people at home will join in simultaneous reading of the same daily passages, selected by a nationwide poll of chaplains and pastors as being most helpful in times like these.

News reports by press and radio indicate a continued and increasing interest in Bible reading by members of the armed forces and a strong desire that their families and friends at home shall join them in their reading in order to create a spiritual bond that knows no limits of distance. Their interest has produced a growing conviction throughout America that a home-front emphasis on Bible reading is an essential part of keeping faith with our men on the fighting fronts.

Bookmarks listing the daily passages and posters announcing the Nationwide Bible Reading are being furnished without charge, for wide distribution to chaplains, pastors and civic groups, for use in community-wide observances throughout the nation and in every unit of our armed forces around the world.

A special V-mail form is being supplied with the list of daily passages printed on a portion of the form and leaving space for a personal message, to be sent by families at home to members in the armed forces overseas.

General denominational organizations and the religious press are giving special promotion to the plan. Resolutions commending the plan have been adopted by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist

Convention and various Bible state organizations.

Pastors are leading in local participation by their own congregations and arrangements are being made for churches, civic organizations, newspapers, radios, and other agencies to cooperate in community-wide observances throughout the nation.

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### EDITOR A. L. GOODRICH

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editor to say all the nice things about others, put their pictures in the paper, promote the work, and not receive proper mention himself. We did not know our picture was going into The Baptist Record last week until we saw it in the finished product. We are giving our editor some of his own medicine. He does not know his picture is going in.

On Wednesday morning—about the time many will see this article—he will report to the Convention upon the splendid progress in Baptist Record work.

—by D. A. McCall.

### DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR December

Christmas Program in All Mississippi Baptist Churches.  
Complete Every Member Canvass for 1945 Budget.  
Convention Board and Executive Committee (Annual) Meetings.  
Cooperative Program Emphasis.  
Tithes and Offerings.  
Special Christmas Eve Prayer Service December 24.  
Daily Bible Reading.  
Mississippi Baptists Debt Free in 1944.  
S. S.—Continued Enlistment in All the Sunday Schools.  
W. M. U.—Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions, December 4-8.  
B. T. U.—State B. T. U. Convention—December 28-29.  
Associational Mass Meetings.  
Student Night at Christmas, December 31.  
All Day Service of Contrition and Confession, December 31.

# + INTO ALL THE WORLD +

CHARLES E. MADDY, Executive Secretary

E. C. ROUTH, Editor, The Commission

One of the most thrilling stories of stewardship which has come out of the war, was sent to the Foreign Mission Board a few days ago by the beloved pastor of one of our great churches in the South: "A young man who has flown a large number of missions over Germany and is now back home came into my office the other day and talked to me about giving some money for Foreign Missions. He said that he had accumulated this money by tithing, and out of gratitude to God for His blessings he wanted to place it where he thought it would go farthest in Kingdom work. He expressed his opinion that Foreign Missions satisfied that desire. Therefore, I am enclosing a check for the \$700 in currency which he placed in our hands for that purpose. He wishes to remain anonymous."

Pastor Samuel Bila wrote from Spain recently that a group of twenty persons were to be baptized on the following Sunday, twenty others a few weeks later, and still another group the last Sunday in October.

Miss Hattie Mae Gardner, stationed at Shaki, Nigeria, arrived in America the last of October after five years of unbroken service in Nigeria. She is already looking forward to the day when she can return to Africa after a greatly needed rest. She had much rather be at work on the mission field than to be here in America. In describing a trip to the churches just before she left Nigeria she said, quite nonchalantly, that one day she walked twenty-two miles in her church visitation.

Among the recent gifts for mission work was the contribution of \$2,022.92 from the Riverview Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, for the salary of Mrs. C. W. McCullough, who, with her husband, has been appointed missionary to Colombia.

Missionary B. L. Nichols is happy over the prospect of the new mission field in Tsunyi, Kweichow, Free China, out in West China which was formerly occupied by Baptists who had been connected with the China Inland Mission. "Things have been happening at rapid pace recently. We never know what the next day will bring forth but for the moment we are peaceful and busy in the Lord's work here in Tsunyi. Miss Lucy Wright has over 100 daily in her clinic. We are teaching and preaching all over this city and into the country."

One of the most attractive mission fields in South America, though little missionary work has been done in it, is Paraguay. Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Goldfinch, who have been working in Uruguay, plan to go to this field as soon as they return from their furlough. Miss Miriam Willis and Miss Estelle Councilman will accompany them in opening up a work in the capital city, Asuncion, and in other strategic points in Paraguay.

Southern Baptists must be prepared just as soon as world conflict ceases, to enter European countries and the

Orient to feed famine sufferers. Already millions have died from starvation. The modest reserve which the Foreign Mission Board has in hand for that work will hardly make a beginning in ministering unto the needy in the name of Christ. Contributions for World Emergency Relief should be increasing as we prepare for that not far distant day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Underwood from Texas, who were appointed several months ago as missionaries to North Brazil, have been granted permits by the Brazilian government to enter that country and have already arrived at Recife.

Mrs. J. Christopher Pool, Ogbomosh, Nigeria, writes that among other duties she is teaching Mrs. George W. McDaniels' book, *The Pastor's Helpmate*, to a class of women in Yoruba, adapting the illustrations to their language. Concerning the new medical missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. Williams, she writes: "We like them very much. They are quite busy night and day. . . . The Howells arrived at Port Harcourt Saturday afternoon. They were given a free plane ride from Port Harcourt to Lagos, making in three hours a trip which would have taken them four days and nights on a train. Mr. Howell is helping in the Seminary."

We are still praying for someone to help us in the Seminary next year. We are due to start another advanced class and we can't do it unless we have more help. The three men that are out on the field from the first of the advanced classes are all doing a mighty work for the Lord. We need a dozen or more like them right now."

Southern Baptists will rejoice in the recent purchase of a beautiful piece of property in Recife, Brazil, including four well constructed buildings for the new location of the North Brazil Seminary. The utterly inadequate present quarters will soon be vacated. Ideally situated near the Baptist College and Training School, the Seminary's new location will serve as training Baptist pastors and it will serve the needs of workers for many years to come. Dr. John Mein, missionary to Brazil for thirty years, is the able president.

Dr. Louie D. Newton of Atlanta, chairman of the Russian War Relief, has received many letters of thanks from Russia. Here is one letter from a child:

"I'm nine years old, too. My papa is a captain at the front. I received your gift. Thanks. Lida Ivanova, Tula, Russia."

Among the funds sent for relief to our Baptist brethren in Europe who have suffered heavy losses from the war was a modest appropriation sent to Secretary M. E. Aubrey, representing British Baptists. We received from Dr. Aubrey excerpts from a large number of letters expressing their gratitude to American Baptist friends. Distribution was made through ministers in churches in affected areas. Fund in the heavy blow we have sustained especially in the poorer districts in London and the southeastern counties of England where the losses were so heavy. Here is one message typical

of many others:

"My wife and I wish to express to you and the officers concerning our sincere thanks and appreciation of the very kind gift of ten pounds sterling from your War Emergency tained in the total loss of our house and home. We thank our heavenly Father that only three days before we had left home for a safer area, and so our lives were spared. In our declining years it is not easy to start making a home again, but we are glad to be back in the vicinity of our old home, where it has been our joy to serve as we have been able for just over 40 years."

In the 1859 report of the Foreign Mission Board, the year that the first Christian missionaries to Japan were sent out, but thirty years before Southern Baptists had any missionaries in Japan, was this heart-searching challenge written by Basil Manly, chairman of the committee: "Today Japan—the impenetrable Japan—is more accessible to the Christian missionary than China was a dozen years ago. When Mr. Seyle, one of the American Episcopal missionaries, visited Japan, the governor of Nagasaki invited him to come there and reside and teach their boys—offering to put six young men under his charge for instruction. Mr. Seyle replied that he could not think of it unless he might teach them and others Christianity. The governor told him he might do so and urged him to come, promising to provide him a house if he would consent. his was at Nagasaki, where, but a few years ago if a sailor chanced to be shipwrecked and cast ashore, he was made to trample under feet a cross made in the pavement with earthen tiles as a token of his contempt for Christianity; and if he refused, he was dragged violently over it as the only condition on which he would be allowed to live." A different story might have been written concerning Japan had Christian missionary forces gotten there earlier and in larger numbers.

We trust every Baptist church, Sunday school and missionary society will give their members an opportunity of making an offering to the orphanage through their church sometime during the month of November when regular services and meetings are held. We know that in many communities union Thanksgiving services are held on Thanksgiving Day and although the congregation is made up of all denominations of the local community the crowds are small. If an offering is made it is usually divided equally and given to the three orphanages of our state, Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian, and in most cases a very small offering is made. We are asking our Baptist pastors to see that an offering is made in his own local church for the Baptist Orphanage when regular services are held. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.—W. G. Mize, superintendent.

The New Hope Baptist Church of Sunflower county reports a splendid Brotherhood with thirteen active members which meets weekly.—Reporter.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COUNCIL CREATES RADIO DEPARTMENT

Chicago—(RNS)—A new department for the development of religious radio programs, operating under the name "International Radio Productions," has been created by the International Council of Religious Education, Dr. Roy G. Ross, general secretary of the council, has announced. Director of the new department will be the Rev. E. Jerry Walker of Chicago, educational director of Station WLS.

"International Radio Productions" has a two-fold purpose, according to Dr. Ross. "First is to develop radio programs for the church generally and for the religious education movement more specifically."

First project of the new department will be production of "Victorious Living" which is expected to go on the air January 1, 1945. This will present dramatic interpretation of factual religious experiences of everyday people.

Rev. J. T. Tolar, a student of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and Mississippi College graduate, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, near Anchorage, Ky. Mr. Tolar, whose home is in Foxworth, Miss., is a first-year student at the seminary. He will continue his studies at the seminary, spending each week-end on his church field. Before coming to Louisville to enter the seminary, Mr. Tolar held pastorates at Mount Zion Baptist Church, Osyka, Miss., and Charleston Baptist Church, Charleston, Miss.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE November 19, 1944

	SS	BTU
Jackson, Calvary	694	245
Jackson, First	667	
Jackson, Griffith	380	261
Jackson, Parkway	288	
Bethlehem, Jones Co.	37	37
Louisville	231	94
Natchez, West Side	74	36
Steen's Creek	45	
Brookhaven, First	426	138
Summit	101	
Houlka, Chickasaw Co.	31	46
Glenfield, Union Co.	26	34
New Albany, First	300	135
Crystal Springs	338	119
Summit (Nov. 12)	128	
Magee's Creek, Walthall Co. (Nov. 12)	79	96

Artesia: The church baptistry, out of use for over 20 years because of inadequate water facilities, has been reopened and used twice recently.—Reporter.

County Line church, Jones county: Under the leadership of our former pastor, W. A. Grissom, we almost completed our new building and adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record. Our new pastor is Bro. Eddie Scruggs of Rt. 2, Hattiesburg. We plan to finish our building and buy pews very soon.—G. V. Smith, reporter.

Rev. Edward Byrd, pastor, led the Highland church, Meridian, in a soul winning campaign with services each evening throughout the week of October 29-November 5. There were twenty-one additions to the church; nineteen by baptism, and two by letter. Mr. Frank McDonald, the director of music, led the singing and Miss Alice Virginia Moss was the pianist.

**DR. N. W. COX IS CONVENTION PRESIDENT**

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4. F. M. Purser.

5. Charles Treadway.

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4. George Jenkins.

5. J. H. Cothen.

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5. R. A. Marston.

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5. W. L. Johnson.

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3. Fred B. Bookter.

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5. J. R. Eubanks.

**Committee on Aged Ministers**

1. C. J. Olander—chairman.

2. W. R. Storie.

3. G. E. Wiley.

Dr. W. A. Bell, state Centennial Crusade director, brought a stirring message on Evangelism. He emphasized the fact that Southern Baptists are again on the march and who knows but what God has called us to turn the world upside down for such a time as this. He reminded his hearers that the 75 Million Campaign objective was dollars, but that this one is souls, one million of them.

He asserted that not only do we propose to win a million souls, but to enlist those souls in our Lord's great Kingdom program.

"Because of our numerical strength" he said, "we are directly responsible for one-fourth of the nearly twenty-five million unchurched souls residing in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. What have we done about it? In the past twenty-five years it has taken twenty-five Baptists to win one soul. We now propose to step up the spiritual temperature of our people to the degree in which five Baptists can win one soul to Jesus."

"In the midst of an hour of tragic liabilities which militate against us we also have unlimited assets. The same Christ in mighty personality, power, wisdom, love, purpose, and presence tells us we cannot fail if we rest in Him. The same urge of a newborn heart drives us to the task. The knowledge and experience of long years of Christian history draw a picture of conquest for us. A prayer besought, time tested Baptist organization which is specifically designed to reach into every nook and corner of the universe provides the method. And finally, the carefully determined purpose among Southern Baptists to let absolutely nothing keep us from putting the Great Commission in the central place in all our work will provide dynamic of which we have never hitherto dreamed."

"God help us to wake up and realize that the dignity of our profession as a Christian is the greatest in all the world. God help us to keep forever cradled in the central place of the soul the picture of the beckoning, empowering Christ who commissioned us to a world task."

"If Mississippi Baptists are hidden with Christ in God, they will never

fail!"

Rev. Edward L. Byrd, pastor of the Highland church, Meridian, spoke on the Cooperative Program, emphasizing the words of Jesus, "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." He said that those who believe Christ will live like Christ and work for Christ. Continuing, he said that Jesus constantly emphasized the words preaching, teaching, healing.

"We have heard much at this convention from laymen urging the pastors not to hesitate to lead their people in giving more and more. The late Dr. Leinbach used to tell how a chronic complainer called on a venerable old elder in his church, and complained to the elder about how much the church was costing him, and that he was tired of hearing pleas for money. The old elder said that he wanted to tell him a story out of his life. Said the elder, 'In the early years of our married life God blessed our home with a baby boy. He cost us from the start. He cost his mother in her health, and there were doctor bills. As he grew he cost more and more; clothes, school supplies, toys, etc. When he went off to college, he cost still more. One day in his senior year, he suddenly sickened and died. Since that time he has cost us nothing.'

"Brethren, a dead church will not cost us anything, but a live church will cost us plenty; and I would not belong to any other kind! Would you? And I would not pastor any other kind! Would you? Now, as we lead our people to bring in their tithes and offerings, let's send them through the Cooperative Program, so that all the work of our Lord will share in our gifts in proportion to the needs of these causes."

"We must arrive at some way of getting this task done," he said, "and the day our Cooperative Program was born in the brightest day that has ever dawned on the horizon of Southern Baptist strategy."

"Ours is a preaching ministry. Our Cooperative Program emphasizes this ministry in its support of state, home, and foreign missions."

"Ours is a teaching ministry. The Cooperative Program is in full support of this work in its support to our denominational colleges, and to our theological seminaries."

"Ours is a healing ministry. We give our support to this great phase of our task through the Cooperative Program in its support of our hospitals, orphanages, and care for aged and disabled preachers and church employees."

"The pastor has emphasized the Cooperative Program in his ministry as a pastor. He has found people willing to be led into a larger share of kingdom work through the Cooperative Program, and they are happy in it."

So far as any could remember the state mission program was the best presentation that this object has ever had. The program was planned and directed by the Executive Secretary, Dr. D. A. McCall.

Approximately 150 people including the headquarters force, represented the following state mission objects: the missionaries, missionary pastors, state workers, negro workers, Chinese workers, church building, Indian work, B. S. U., Training Union, Sunday school, minister's retirement, Whitfield work, W. M. U., pastoral support, and soldier work.

They gave a visual presentation of

the variety and scope of state mission work. Each person spoke a few words setting forth his own work.

Wyatt Hunter, pastor First church, McComb, presented the report of the Committee to Review the Report of the Social Service Committee.

W. G. Mize, Baptist Orphanage superintendent, presented a glowing report of the progress of the orphanage and its work. He reported no debt and a growing fund for needed buildings when and if.

An equally good report was made by Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, Baptist Hospital superintendent. She reported patients overflowing the present capacity of the hospital and \$48,449 charity work done during the year.

Rev. N. S. Jackson called the attention of the Convention to some of the items in the temperance report and asked that a committee be appointed to confer with Governor Bailey to urge him to use his influence for the repeal of the "Black Market Law" and toward a more rigid enforcement of the existing liquor laws. The committee consisted of Norman W. Cox, G. C. Hodge, P. I. Lipsey, C. J. Olander and L. T. Lowrey. They conferred with Governor Bailey and reported that the governor was very gracious and that he promised to do all in his power to enforce the prohibition laws. The full report will be printed in a later issue.

The Baptist Record report was presented by Editor A. L. Goodrich. It showed a circulation of 45,752 and a net profit for the year of \$12,808.72. The full report will appear later.

Representatives from the denominational schools came to the platform. Wyatt Hunter presented the report on Christian education. Dr. L. E. Green, pastor First church, Pascagoula, spoke for Mississippi College and Dr. T. D. Brown spoke on Christian education. The Convention ordered Dr. Brown's address printed.

The report of Mississippi College was adopted. This report appeared on pages 8 and 9 of the issue of November 2.

Dr. L. T. Lowrey spoke of the work done at Blue Mountain College, its present fine prospects and urged an early completion of the Endowment Campaign.

G. M. McWilliams, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Woman's College, spoke for that college and expressed the hope that it might be reopened at the close of the war.

The Clarke College report was presented by Dr. W. E. Greene, president. He presented several of his faculty members.

Dr. D. M. Nelson, president, spoke concerning Mississippi College and M. P. L. Berry, dean of the Hillman division of Mississippi College, explained the work of the Ministerial Education Committee and its present financial status.

Dr. Park H. Anderson of the B. B. I. faculty, was presented, after which Dr. Inman Johnson of the Department of Music at the Louisville Seminary, spoke on Ministerial Education.

At the afternoon session, C. W. Thompson, chairman, presented the report of the committee to review the Convention Board's report. That report was as follows:

"1. That the Convention proceed through its Convention Board with the erection of the Baptist building as soon as practicable. 2. That we employ a state music director, the Sunday School Board paying one-third of the salary."

"3. That a state Brotherhood sec-

retary be employed. 4. That a Mississippi Baptist handbook be prepared for general use and for study in schools and missions. 5. That the radio committee study the whole question of a gospel radio program for Mississippi and we pledge cooperation with the Southern Baptist Radio Commission. 6. That we enlarge our work with the races.

"7. That 10,000 be made available for associational mission work. 8. That we study the advisability of establishing at Clarke College a one or two months certificate Bible course for our pastors who prefer it, and that state mission funds be made available for this work. 9. That we call our people to prayer, preaching and support of all the work of the Lord Jesus."

"10. That we accept the full challenge of the Centennial Crusade for 1945. 11. That we go on in all the work of Christ. 12. That a full-time worker for Whitfield and other hospitals be employed as soon as practicable. 13. That a page in the annual be given to Miss Fannie Traylor."

"14. That we urge all agencies receiving funds from the Cooperative Program, really to cooperate with that program and that we further urge the churches to place their major financial emphasis on the Cooperative Program. 15. The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board recommends to the Convention that it vote the wholehearted approval of the fine work of our executive secretary, D. A. McCall."

Harry Smallwood of Laurel presented the report on the Brotherhood. The report which was adopted urged the Convention to set aside sufficient funds for a Brotherhood department which should include a full-time secretary.

The Convention voted to set aside a fund of \$7,500 for this purpose.

Secretary Auber J. Wilds of the Training Union department, spoke of the Training Union and presented Rev. "Happy" White of Summit, Rev. F. G. Wilborn of George county, and Dr. D. Swan Haworth, of Vicksburg, who bore testimony to the value of B. T. U. work.

Mrs. Webb Brame, president of the state W. M. U., spoke of W. M. U. work in Mississippi, and paid a beautiful tribute to Miss Fannie Traylor and her unfailing love for her Lord.

After presentation of the state Sunday school workers, Dr. J. O. Williams, of the Sunday School Board, spoke.

Dr. Walter Johnson spoke on "A Church Organized for Efficient Service." This address will appear in a later issue.

Dr. F. M. Powell, pastor of Calvary church, Tupelo, reported for the Committee on Review of the Education Commission Report. The report commended the work of the educational agencies and suggested a single committee to make one report for the various institutions.

The Wednesday night session was given over to a consideration of Home and Foreign Missions.

Dr. Joe W. Burton, educational secretary of the Home Mission Board, stressed the contribution of Christianity to the improvement of the economic world, human relations, and the stability of the individual, and warned that "God's people must be rid of prejudice."

"All Christians are missionaries," he said. "Therefore, all of us who are Christians must guard against ill-will in our hearts. I wish I could say it loud enough, that Christianity and

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# Baptist Training Union

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AUBER J. WILDS, State Secretary  
MISS RUTH LOFTIN, Young People  
MISS LOUISE HILL, Rural Emphasis  
MISS NELLA DEAN MITCHELL, Office

## BUNKER HILL HAS NEW B. A. U. AND STORY HOUR

Bunker Hill of Marion county, one of our most progressive churches in the country, continues to grow under the leadership of Rev. H. D. Jordon, the beloved pastor. They have recently organized another B. A. U. and also an additional Story Hour. This gives them ten units in their training Union, two B. A. U's, one B. Y. P. U., three Intermediate Unions, two Junior Unions, and two Story Hours. Prof. Garvin Allen is the director, and is proud of the fine cooperation he is getting from the church.

## EAST STARKVILLE ORGANIZES JUNIOR AND INTERMEDIATE UNIONS

It was the pleasure of Misses Margaret Ray and Dorothy Dillon of First church Starkville, to cooperate with the East Starkville church in getting a Junior Union and an Intermediate Union organized in the East Starkville Junior Union and an Intermediate Union organized recently. Brother Furr, the pastor, is proud of this additional training unit in the church, and Misses Ray and Dillon are happy in the thought that they have been the means of bringing a blessing to a number of worthy young people.

## GULF COAST SETS UP ORGANIZATION

At a recent meeting of the leaders of the Gulf Coast Association, the Associational Training Union was re-organized. The following officers were elected and pledge faith with the churches to do what they can to promote Training Union work in an effective way. Director, Mrs. N. H. Eudaly; associate director, Mr. H. W. Rhodes; secretary, Mrs. Necaise; chorister, Mr. Murray Severence; pianist, Miss Earline Flynt; department leaders—Adult, Miss Marie Latil; Young People, Miss Margaret Harper; Intermediate, Mrs. Frank Pates; Junior, Mrs. H. W. Rhodes; Story Hour, Mrs. H. B. Longest; pastor-advisor, Rev. E. S. Flynt.

## ABERDEEN INTERMEDIATES

Thanks to Mrs. C. W. Thompson, Intermediate leader of the Aberdeen church, for a good report on their work. They are in the midst of a good study course. They carried a good crowd to Becker to attend the associational meeting. They have 20 on roll and an average attendance of 16. They have set themselves to the task of being a standard union, have gotten a copy of the standard of excellence, free tracts for each officer, and are setting the pace for the other unions in the church and association. Congratulations.

A supper or banquet once a year for your Training Union is a fine thing.

Not too early, Mr. Director, to make plans for your executive committee meeting that should be held right after the last Sunday in the month.

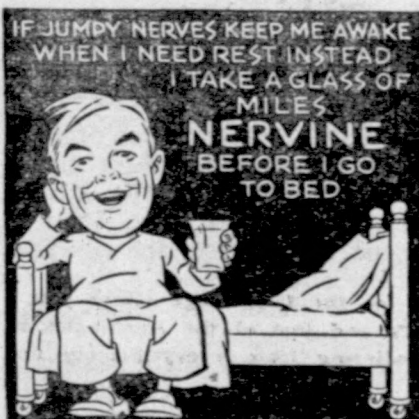
There are approximately 300,000 Mississippi Baptists. Certainly an offering from this number for the Orphanage at Thanksgiving would more than reach the suggested goal.

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## REGISTRATION IN N. Y. SUNDAY SCHOOLS INCREASES

New York—(RNS)—Registration in Sunday schools here has increased 100,000 since released-time instruction was adopted less than three years ago, according to Dr. W. M. Howlett, secretary of the Christian Education Division of the Protestant Council of New York.

Whereas only 600,000 of the 1,200,000 primary and secondary school children in public, parochial, and private schools claimed affiliation with church schools in February, 1941, 700,000 claimed such affiliation this fall despite lower school registration figures.

Protestant Sunday school attendance increased 23,000 this year over last year, he reported. Released-time instruction was a "big factor" in the gain, which is the first in 20 years, Dr. Howlett said.

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The feature section of the Mountaineer, yearbook of Blue Mountain College, this season will be composed of class "favorites" and two campus "favorites." These have been selected and are: Campus, Norma Jean Hudson, New Albany, and Elaine Caldwell, State College; senior class, Jeanetta Faires, Corinth, and Margaret Wilson, Starkville; junior class, Mary D. Leavell, Tampa, Florida, and Mary Ann Durham, Itta Bena; sophomore class, Anita Headrick, Laurel, and Margaret Pritchard, Liberty; freshman class, Joy Campbell, Jefferson City, Missouri, and Tommy Nelson, Birmingham, Ala.

## THE NEED

By O. L. Williams, Director, Morton Training Union

The Baptist Training Union invites you in  
For many souls yet to Christ we must win.  
We may not know, but can surely feel  
Our thoughts to each other we should reveal,  
And convince the sinner of a judgment day  
That he might not continue his indifferent way.

We should not let the passing hours steal  
The love for each other we all should feel,  
For God's hand the evil thoughts will stay  
And let His book guide us on our way.  
Come, help build God's kingdom here on earth,  
Feast on the Bread of Life, prayer, songs and mirth.

Joint us now and help in God's glorious plan  
As on your journey God's message to tell  
To save some souls from the clutches of hell.  
Then, when one passes from this great earth,  
The souls saved will be of untold worth.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO FLORENCE

A report from Mrs. R. B. Gunter, Training Union director of the Florence church, shows that good results accrued from the one-day Training School they had a few weeks ago. The following Sunday they had the largest attendance they had had for a long time, 65 were there and 30 of these had a record of 100%. We will be sending them some standard awards the first of the year, you just watch.

## GRENADA ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

The first Associational Training Union meeting held in several years in Grenada Association was held October 22 with the Hardy church. Three churches sent representatives and the attendance was 55. Miss Bridges, the associational director, recently elected, presided. A prayer was offered by Mr. Rice, of Holcomb, then Mrs. Rice made a splendid talk on "The Crusade for 1945." The Grenada Intermediates gave a demonstration sword drill, the Hardy Union furnished special music. All in all, it was a good meeting. Plans were made for the four churches that have a Training Union to "buddy" the other four churches in the association with the hope of organizing unions in them within the next few months. Next meeting will be at Holcomb, January second Sunday afternoon.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 18—Rev. Devere Hillman, of Leakesville, Miss., who is a first-year student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here, has recently been called as pastor of the Beech Grove Baptist Church,

Shepherdsville, Ky., which is a half-time church. Mr. Hillman, who is a graduate of Mississippi College, formerly served as supply pastor of the Morton Baptist Church, Morton, Miss., and Forest Baptist Church, Forest, Miss.

## Revolutionize Your CHURCH FINANCES!



• "The Bible Key to Prosperity" has been declared the most comprehensive, convincing, and interesting book ever written on Tithing. The message it contains has literally revolutionized the lives of many individuals. Many have attributed the beginning of their material success to following the Bible message of tithing revealed in this book.

• CHURCH INCOMES HAVE MORE THAN DOUBLED as a result of this message being given to the membership. Some have reported increases as high as five times in the income of the Church. If the income does not increase after these books

are distributed in a congregation, the author will refund the low price paid for the books. His own church, the First Baptist Church, Fairfield, Ala., has been able to operate what has been declared the largest mission work ever undertaken by a single church as a result of tithing.

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MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

### First in the South

Mississippi has the distinction of having the first standard Cradle Roll department in the South under the new set-up. This honor goes to the Cradle Roll department of the Briar Hill church, Rankin county, Dr. R. B. Gunter, pastor, and Mrs. Willis A. Brown, Cradle Roll superintendent.

Mrs. Brown will be remembered by many as the former Miss Ruby Taylor, who was for several years elementary secretary of our Sunday school department.

We extend our most sincere congratulations to Mrs. Brown on this very splendid achievement of bringing her fine department up to standard requirement.

Another thing that causes us to rejoice in this is the fact that this was done in a rural church, and with only a small number of babies. This goes to show that any church can not only have a Cradle Roll department but also have a standard one.

### Other October Standards

The T. E. L. class, Adult, Hickory, Mrs. F. D. Gibson, teacher, and the Home Makers' class, Liberty, Mrs. H. L. Jackson, teacher, also came in on the standard list during the month of October.

This was the first time ever for the class at Hickory to be standard, but it was far from that for the one from Liberty. We are grateful to these fine teachers and their helpers in these good classes for this splendid record. We hope that for them, as well as for every class, that this new year may be the greatest ever in the important business of reaching people in order to teach them the Bible, win the lost to Christ, and develop them in Christian service. This is the purpose of Sunday schools. The importance of it is seen in the fact that people who are not more or less regularly enlisted in definite Bible study are not worth as much to the cause of Christ as those who are.

### Adults Graded

"We have graded our Adult department and are seeing so much more interest among them. We have had five new members this month in the Adult department."

The above statement is from Miss Sybil Deweese, church secretary of the Carthage Baptist Church, Leake county.

Yes, this business of grading and promoting Adults is definitely on the way among Southern Baptist Sunday schools. Many of them are doing it now as a regular thing year by year along with the grading and promoting of all the other age groups of the school. There is as much reason for grading and promoting Adults as for any other groups.

### Four in One Year

Completing four Sunday school study course books in one year is the plan of eighteen of the workers of the Leland Baptist Church, Deer Creek Association, according to their pastor, Rev. Chester L. Quarles.

They are entering upon a very definite and vigorous training program for all their workers this year and eighteen of them have already agreed to make it four books.

We all want improved Sunday

schools, but we will never have them without improved workers, and that must come, at least in part, through training. This is as true for Christian workers as for servants in any other phase of life's work. Jesus recognized the importance of training His disciples and gave much time to teaching and training them for the great service that He had for them to do. He recognized that a trained Christian was worth more to His Kingdom program than one who was not trained.

No finer time will we have to plan definitely for one or more training classes during this year than right now in the early weeks of it. The best time to plan is while there is ample opportunity for such. Every church should plan for at least one Sunday school training course during this Sunday school year. Training always pays off in the course of time.

### Advice of Two Judges

Juvenile delinquency is an extremely serious problem confronting the world today—and it threatens to become more acute.

The Nashville Banner carried the following statement on its editorial page (Aug. 1943):

"We have never had an active church boy in real trouble in the juvenile court," says Juvenile Court Judge Philip Gilian, of Denver."

And his advice to parents is: "Take—don't send—your children to church services."

Juvenile Judge Sam Davis Tatum, of Nashville, Tenn., had tried 4,000 cases of youths under 17 years of age, from June 1, 1939, to August, 1943.

The facts deducted from these trials are three, viz:

(1) Of the approximately 4,000 cases, only 17 were those of regular Sunday school or church attenders. And of these 17, nine were not guilty.

(2) Only about six of the families of these 4,000 were regular attenders at Sunday school or church.


(3) Over 75% of the youngsters appearing before Judge Tatum were from broken homes. Either the parents were separated, divorced, or one or both were dead.

Juvenile judges surely cannot be charged with "Puritanic tendencies," but their advice to parents and guardians is to take the children to Sunday school and church services.

### Registration

Please don't forget to register your departments and classes. This is so important. They are to be registered now each year. Regular cards for this purpose will be gladly mailed on request. Leaders of registered units get helpful information and material each year. If your class and department have not registered this Sunday school year, please do so at once.

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## November Is Thanksgiving Month For The Baptist Orphanage

### ATTENTION, PASTORS!

Your leadership is imperatively needed as plans are made for properly presenting Baptist Orphanage needs at the Thanksgiving season. This is a call to the church.

### ATTENTION, SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS!

Much of the responsibility for the Baptist Orphanage's Thanksgiving effort has been put upon the Sunday Schools. You are its leader. Be sure to secure the active help of church members who may not be in Sunday School. Please organize by departments, set goals, and make a real thing of this.

### ATTENTION, MISSIONARY SOCIETY PRESIDENTS!

The promotion of Thanksgiving gifts for the Orphanage offers you a fine opportunity for letting your influence and that of the Auxiliaries be felt throughout the whole Church. An offering from every Society and Auxiliary would be of great assistance.

### ATTENTION, MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS!

If you do not have an opportunity to attend services of your Church when the Thanksgiving offering is made for the Orphanage, hand your gift to some official of the Church and ask that it be included or forward it by mail to Baptist Orphanage.

Mail your contributions to Dr. D. A. McCall, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi and mark same plainly designated for Orphanage or mail direct to Baptist Orphanage, P. O. Box 1045, Jackson, 109, Mississippi.

**DR. N. W. COX IS CONVENTION PRESIDENT**

(Continued from Page Nine)  
hate are inimical to each other.

"The mission program assures all men equality in the sight of God, and thus forges new links in human relations. And, perhaps most important of all, it provides the individual a stability which he will not find anywhere else.

"The greatest hardship in the home mission field," he said, "has come from a shortage of manpower. However, the Southern Convention has more than 100 men working among the Spanish speaking people in Texas, 100 in Cuba, 75 among Indian tribes, 60 in other foreign groups."

Dr. J. D. Franks, Mississippi member of the Foreign Mission Board, made the report on foreign missions and presented Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., secretary for Latin America, who first presented the foreign missionaries who were present. They were Hendon M. Harris, China; Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Ware, China, and Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Riddell, recently appointed to Colombia.

Dr. Gill called attention to alleged Catholic domination of United States policy in Latin America.

"During the past three years, Protestant missionaries have had enormous trouble in getting passports to Latin American countries, while scores of Catholic priests have gone there freely," he declared.

"Protestant missionaries had worked in Latin America for more than a hundred years, but, when the President announced the Good Neighbor policy, the hierarchy of the Catholic church saw its chance, and declared that Protestant work in Central and South America was undermining good will toward the United States.

"The administration immediately gave in, and even went so far as to begin the appointment of Catholics as ambassadors to Latin American countries when that had never been the policy before.

"A great mass of proof has been assembled to show that Protestant missionary work in Latin America has not undermined the Good Neighbor policy. The entire Chilean cabinet, from the president down, signed a statement paying high tribute to Protestant work. The commanding general of the Brazilian contingent of the eighth army in Italy, personally received a Methodist missionary and thanked him for the work he had done among his troops.

**Trouble at Home**

"Our trouble has not been with the Latin American governments, but with our own government, which has given in to Rome.

"Meanwhile, the missionary work must go on. The overwhelming majority of Latin Americans do not know Christ. It is our business to take Christian experience, heart-felt, character-building religion to Latin America.

"We as Baptists shall defend, as we have always defended, the Catholic Christian's right to worship as he pleases, but we shall insist on the right to go into new fields to bring people to Christ.

"Latin America is intensely lovely—but it is desperately lost."

The difficulty in obtaining passports to Latin America has been eased slightly of late, he said, and four Baptist missionaries have been assigned to the field, of whom two have just landed at Bahai. The Southern conference has approximately 500 missionaries now, of whom over half

are in the field, he stated.

In discussion mission property damage from the war, he said that, although the foreign mission board has \$1,250,000 to take care of destroyed property in China and Europe, two million dollars may be needed by the end of the war.

**Thursday Morning**

C. J. Olander, Morgan City pastor and Mississippi Relief and Annuity Board member, read the report of the Relief and Annuity Board. He then presented Orville Groner, treasurer of the Relief and Annuity Board. He called attention to the marvelous growth of the Board in membership, service and finances.

The Committee on Resolutions reported on various resolutions which had been submitted.

It recommended that in lieu of the proposal of the Baptist Foundation that \$7,500 be provided for a secretary that an allocation of 2½% of distributable funds to the Foundation for an operating budget.

The committee favored the Clarke College resolution to provide \$3,000 for Clarke College and the Convention adopted it.

**Resolution Rejected**

The only matter to cause heated debate was the resolution authorizing the Baptist Hospital to borrow \$200,000 to build an addition in order to take care of overcrowded conditions.

After hearing predictions that "America is headed for socialized medicine" and viewing the fact that the Convention is now out of debt for the first time in many years, the Convention turned down a request to authorize a \$200,000 loan for the Baptist State Hospital in Jackson for expansion. Before adjourning at noon, the Convention spent more than three hours debating the hospital proposal, which was slated on the program for 30 minutes of discussion.

The Convention finally agreed to allow the trustees of the hospital to attempt to raise up to \$200,000 for the proposed expansion program, but vetoed the resolution authorizing a loan. Several speakers declared that since the Convention is out of debt for the first time within memory, it should not underwrite any further expenditures.

An amendment to the resolution giving the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Hospital permission to go afield and raise the necessary funds for building expansion was passed by the Convention setting aside the offerings on Mother's Day for the Baptist Hospital.

Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, superintendent of the Baptist Hospital, outlined the need for \$200,000 for expansion of the hospital Tuesday afternoon. She pointed out that the hospital was understaffed and was accommodating 215 patients daily, but there was room for only 175.

Appropriate resolutions were passed thanking Honorable B. B. Jones for his generosity in enabling Mississippi College to pay the debt of the Alumni Association.

The 1945 Convention will be held in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, November 13-15. Dr. L. E. Green, pastor of First church, Pascagoula, will be the Convention preacher. His alternate is Rev. Albert Sidney Johnson, pastor, Davis Memorial church, Jackson.

—BR—

Tchula and Morgan City have more than paid their quota to the Now Club. We are now looking toward an aggressive program for the future.—C. J. Olander, pastor.



Rev. R. C. Woodham

**LEBANON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY**

Rev. R. C. Woodham has accepted the position of superintendent of missions for the Lebanon Association. This association is made up of the co-operating churches of the counties of Forrest, Stone and Lamar. Mr. Woodham has been pastor of Forrest county churches.

His home is Hattiesburg. He secured his education at Mississippi College and Baptist Bible Institute. He is outstanding as an organizer and builder of churches. Three flourishing full-time churches—that were previously part-time—are the results of his last two pastorates; one in Louisiana and two in Lebanon Association.

One of the first projects planned is an Association School of Missions.

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**BLUE MOUNTAIN STUDENTS HEAR MUNSEL**

Blue Mountain, Miss.—Accompanied by Mrs. Dorothy Hinds Powell of the voice department, 24 students of Blue Mountain College heard Patrice Munsel of the Metropolitan Opera, in Memphis, Tennessee, November 14.

They are: June Emerson, Jean Lovett, Memphis, Tennessee; Coleen Berry, Tupelo; Ann Harpole, Eupora; Mary Frances Whitman, Brooksville; Frances French, Mendenhall; Jean Donahue, Leland; Gloria Prather, Clarksdale; Barbara Ely, Itta Bena; Miriam Ellers, Harrodsburg, Kentucky; Mary Bess McFarridge, Plantersville; Betty Jane Boland, Trailake; Jane Wood, Selmer, Tennessee; Mary Nell Hawkins, Newellton, Louisiana; Patricia Murrie, Vienna, Illinois; Dorothy Hopper, Juno, Tennessee; Joyce Bolton, Henderson, Tennessee; Corinne Griffin, Laurel; Elizabeth Land, Live Oak, Florida; Bonnie Howard, Pleasanton, Texas; Kathleen Bush, Pinola; Elizabeth Edmondson, Vardaman; Dorothy Carson, Jamie Bright, Kingsport, Tennessee.

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Russell: Russell Baptist Church voted to enter the Minister's Retirement Plan and raised the pastor's salary. The Baptist Record and local Brotherhood may be credited with both these steps being taken. Our offering for state missions was \$60.33. We plan for a generous offering to the orphanage.—R. H. Fitzgerald, pastor.

First Baptist Church, Sylvester, Georgia, has had 78 additions during the first six months of the pastorate of Dr. Chester M. Savage. Dr. Savage was formerly pastor at Union, in this state.

**KNOW YOUR BIBLE**

QUIZ QUESTIONS FOR TEACHER AND CLASS

(Answers on Page Fifteen)

1. In the Bible there are many uses for the bark of the cinnamon tree. Can you name several uses of cinnamon bark?

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2. The Hebrew Bible contains "Book of Psalms" or "Song of Degrees," as written by several authors. Can you name these authors of the Psalms?

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3. When you see a beautiful rainbow in the sky, have you wondered where it originated, and why?

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4. Why was the Book of Ruth written, and what was the object of the author?

**PROGRAM****for GREAT MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST JUBILEE**

December 11 and 12, 1944

First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss.

Executive committee meeting, Convention Board office, 2:00 p. m., Monday, December 11, 1944.

Convention Board meeting, Monday, December 11, 4:00 p. m., First Baptist Church, Jackson.

Tuesday Morning

John D. Davis, Presiding

Ray F. Dykes, Meridian, song leader.

E. F. Graeser, Meridian, pianist.

11:00 a. m.—C. Oscar Johnson, St. Louis.

2:00 p. m.—E. C. Williams presiding. Full meeting Centennial Crusade workers.

Conference leaders—W. A. Bell, Jackson; J. N. Barnette, Nashville.

7:00 p. m.—D. A. McCall Presiding. Special music by Clarke College groups, Waddell Valentine, director.

7:20—"It Can Be Done"—W. W. Jones, Philadelphia.

7:25—THIS DEBTLESS DAY, THE CENTENNIAL CRUSADE AND OUR WORK TOMORROW. Representatives of agencies, departments and institutions:

Mississippi Baptist Convention, Norman Cox, President, 2 minutes.

The Convention Board, John D. Davis, 2 minutes.

The Education Commission, J. D. Ray, 2 minutes.

(Mississippi Baptist department and institution heads will be given 1 minute each.)

7:40—Song service.

7:50—One-half minute testimonies from the floor.

8:00—Song service.

8:15—C. Oscar Johnson, St. Louis

Note: The Convention Board office offers to pay the mileage expense at two cents per mile for two cars filled with representatives from each of our 71 associations.

Plans will be made through Association officers in each instance.

The Sunday School Department is paying the mileage expense also of two cars, filled with representatives from each association. This mileage rate is two cents per mile.

Write Mr. E. C. Williams, Box 530, Jackson, concerning questions or problems regarding this latter offer.

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The budget of First church, New Albany, totals \$20,596.

# Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for November 26  
**CHRISTIANITY AND INDUSTRY**  
 Deuteronomy 8:11-20; Luke 12:13-34;  
 19:11-27; Acts 19:23-28; I Thess.  
 4:11, 12; II Thess. 3:10-12  
 Printed Text: Luke 19:15-26;  
 II Thess. 3:10-12

Introduction. The Bible undoubtedly teaches the dignity of labor, but it has taken peoples other than the Jews long ages to learn this Bible teaching. Every Jewish boy was taught a trade, and was expected to be able to fend for himself if and when thrown upon his own resources. But all around him, in every ancient nation, work was looked upon as lowering in its effect upon the laborer. That heathen idea invaded this country with the coming of certain European settlers. Among mine own poor country people, and we were all poor, there being certain ones who were a bit poorer than others, there were certain classes work which were said to be "niggers' work," and tasks of this sort, or these sorts, of work were shunned by young white men and women. We are getting everywhere away from that idea now, and back to the ancient Bible teaching that all honest work is honorable, and that the only dishonorable state, as concerns work, is that in which a person refuses to labor at any honest employment rather than do nothing. I. Israel Warned of Danger. Deut. 8:11-20.

The danger against which Israel is here warned is that which arises with the accumulation of wealth—the danger of self-trust, and a consequent God-ward distrust, lack of trust. The prosperous is likely to forget God and trust in riches and his ability to get riches.

How many a man has in the days of his poverty trusted God, only to grow cold toward God as the blessings of God brought him nearer to a state of affluence. So after a while, God had left very small, if any, place in his life. Invariably such a condition, the very growth of it, petrified all the finer sensibilities and aspirations and desires of the heart. And this hap befalls individuals not only, but nations of men as well. Let us face frankly the fact that it is right now stealing into the lives of the people of this country, and that its deadening progress is noticeable not slightly now.

II. Of What a Man's Life Does Not Consist. Luke 12:13-34.

Read this great parable. See this rich man! A fine business man, successful planter, diligent, sagacious manager, a typical "go-getter." Which of his neighbors accused him of being a thief? None, as far as we know. He just worked and managed his little farm till it became a plantation. Every so often he brought additional land under cultivation and built larger barns to store his grain and other goods. Let us be careful to keep clear the point that it was not his waxing wealth that got this man into trouble, but his attitude toward it, or to say the same thing another way, it was not his management of his wealth that got him into trouble, but the management of him by his wealth. He owned his plantation? No! It owned him, and worked him

into a state of heart paralysis, as far as God and the duties he owed God were concerned. The more he got the less he gave, and the more he wanted.

No time or talent or energy left for God and His service, for pity and benevolence, for counsel with men of discouraged heart, for consolation of the suffering. No thought of God or fellow man, no interest outside of the selfish. No preparation for the end inevitable that awaits each and every one of us. And suddenly, "This night," and no treasures laid up over there, and no preparation made for leave-taking.

III. Faithful and Unfaithful Trustees. Luke 19:11-27.

A wonderful story, this. Let us agree then that the "certain nobleman" in the parable represents Jesus and that the servants who were entrusted with His goods were just His servants. Go ahead now, and teach what you please about the nature of His kingdom, and say, if you wish, and have no better gump, that He had no authority when He went away, and will have no regal authority till He comes back, but agree that He went away after He had entrusted to His servants, His servants, mind you, His goods, and that He is coming back and, when He does come back, that He is going to judge those servants, His servants. Hold still now! No use to wriggle. He is coming back to judge His servants.

According to the faithfulness of the servants who had been faithful over that which they had been entrusted, whether much or little, was each servant's reward. It is required of stewards that a man be faithful, and each man who is, will be rewarded. Whatever the reward of the faithful, it will be determined by his fidelity in his present sphere, and the result of that upon his character and work. Read the story and remark that the first servant, the one who had caused his lord's property to gain tenfold was rewarded and commended, and the commendation was perhaps the finest part of the reward. The servant whose diligence had been half as productive as that of the first, was rewarded with authority, but he did not receive the commendation. Does the omission of the commendation suggest that he could have done better?

There came a third servant, poor chap! Look at the opinion he held of his master, and said he knew that opinion was right. "I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up that which thou layedst not down, and reapest that which thou didst not sow." In other words, "Thou art a thief, willing to snatch that which belongeth not to thee, and to reap the field upon which another hast bestowed his labor. See! I am 'onto' thee!"

According to your estimate of me, I am going now to judge you. I being the man I am according to your estate of me, will reward you as a man of that sort would reward a chap who had treated him as you have treated me.

Go ahead, now, and argue whether this man was a Christian or not, whether he was saved or lost, whether his loss of reward with authority to rule did or did not also involve the loss of his soul in hell. Anyhow, his master hit him a pretty tough lick!

But see here! The Master is coming back! Brother, do not you doubt that. Neither become ye so deeply interested in the signs of the times and of His coming that ye neglect to

be faithful to the charge which He has committed to you to exercise while He is away.

This rebel world does not believe that Jesus ever will be king. There are those, and their name is legion, who think Christianity is a disproved dream, and that it will not work. But it works now, a theory which has been proved, Q. E. D. It has worked, it works, it will work in every case where it is given a chance. The King ruled, rules, shall rule, in all the world, King of kings, and Lord of lords. Doesn't He rule your life now? He is your king now. He does not rule your life now? The arms of the King are stretched out in compassion to you. He died for you and the agony of that death pleads with an eloquence far beyond that of angels, trumpet-tongued and melting tender, that you heed the gentle impulse, the gentle push of the Spirit of God, urging toward Him who says, "Hither to Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Go! And you may have the blessed assurance of one who has learned the language of the King and delights to perform His bidding.

IV. Those Who Seek Gain of Worldly Wealth as a Reward of Religious Service. Acts 19:23-28.

Read the passage. Here is a set of fellows who were religious for revenue only. They professed to believe in Diana of the Ephesians, but their belief sprang out of their desire to preserve their business of making and selling images of the goddess, of all metals and woods. A chap joins the church to get more business in his line, to secure the votes of the church people in his district, to enhance his social status. All such!

IV. A Word from Paul. I Thess. 4:11, 12; II Thess. 3:10-12.

The first passage says, "Attend to your business and you will stay out of mischief and have a quiet and happy life." The second one says that one horrible example of the disorderly man is the man who does not work at home honest employment, and directs the Christian people not to give that fellow anything to eat. Such a fellow is a busybody, making trouble with his tongue. Mark him and tell him to get to work.

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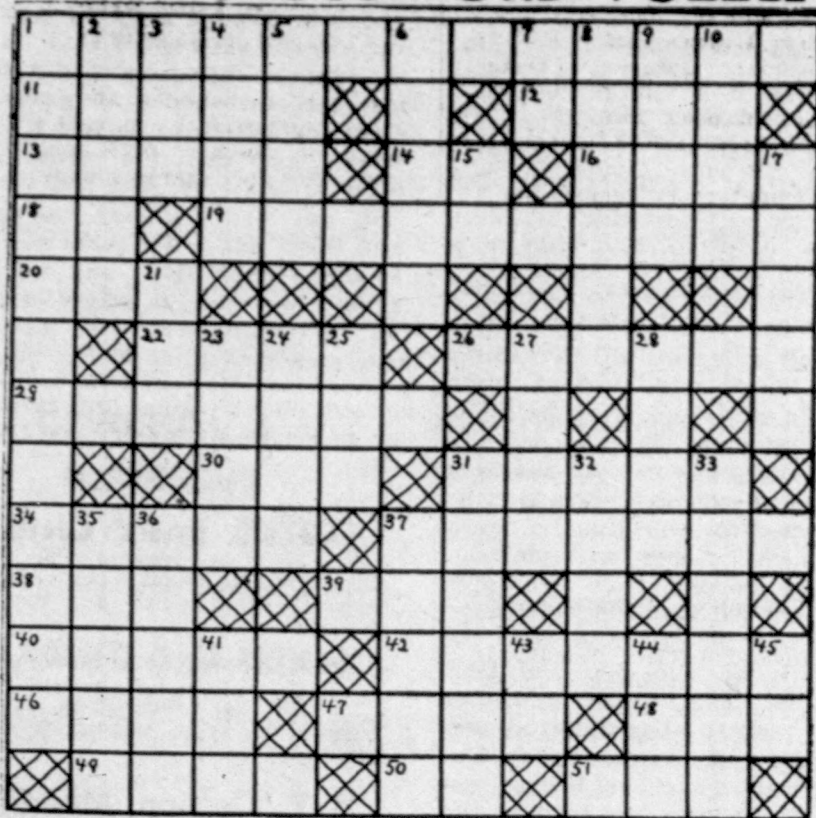
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## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



No. 31

"In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep fallen upon men, in slumberings upon the bed."—Job 33: 15.

DREAMS AND DREAMERS  
ACROSS

- 1 Matt. 2 tells of a dream that thwarted Herod (three words).
- 11 Nebuchadnezzar saw this in a dream that Daniel interpreted, Dan. 2.
- 12 Nebuchadnezzar's dream led him to ... an interpreter.
- 13 Teeth.
- 14 Two.
- 16 Color.
- 18 Printer's measure.
- 19 Joseph dream that his "... and also stood upright."
- 20 Berry of Oregon.
- 22 Pharaoh's chief 26 across said, "In my dream, behold, a ... was before me," Gen. 40:9.
- 26 He worked for 29 across.
- 29 "And ... said unto Joseph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon the bank of the river," Gen. 41:17.
- 30 Prefix meaning "wrong."
- 31 ... dreamed of "a ladder set up on the earth," Gen. 28:12.
- 34 "God came to ... the Syrian in a dream by night," Gen. 31:24.
- 37 "the Lord appeared to ... in a dream by night; and God said, Ask what I shall give thee."
- 38 Cloth made from the hair of camels.
- 39 It is so.
- 40 "a ... for good," Ps. 86:17.
- 42 Short graduated scale.
- 46 City of Judah, Josh. 15:21.
- 47 Old Testament book.
- 48 Sam.
- 49 Descendant of Joseph, Num. 26:36.
- 50 New England state.
- 51 Father of Saul, Acts 13:21.

## DOWN

- 1 Matt. 27:19 tells us that this woman "suffered many things this day in a dream" (3 words).
- 2 Mohammedan priests.
- 3 River in Austria.
- 4 "As the partridge sitteth on ..." Jer. 17:11.
- 5 Netting.
- 6 "his heart died within him, and he

## ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK



became as a stone," 1 Sam. 25:37.

- 7 Since.
- 8 Self-reproach.
- 9 Roman emperor.
- 10 Pieces out.
- 15 "But ... ye will not make known unto me the dream, there is but one decree for you," Dan. 2:9.
- 17 "there shall arise after them seven ... of famine," Gen. 41:30.
- 21 Eggs.
- 23 Feminine proper name.
- 24 Christ healed a widow's son here, Luke 7:11-15.
- 25 Goddess of dawn (Gr. myth).
- 27 Russian river.
- 28 Appear distorted.
- 31 "... dreamed a dream, and he told it to his brethren," Gen. 37:5.
- 32 Pharaoh's second dream was about good and bad ... Gen. 41.
- 33 The north wind.
- 35 Said of Joseph: "But his bow ... in strength," Gen. 49:24.
- 36 "hanged the chief ... as Joseph had interpreted," Gen. 40:22.
- 37 Pharaoh's first dream was about ... good kine eaten by poor ones.
- 41 Epoch.
- 43 Right hand.
- 44 A Benjamite, 1 Chron. 7:7.
- 45 Means of transportation.

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If every Sunday school superintendent will just take time to mention the fact that an offering is to be made to the orphanage we know that his school will respond. Do not fail to do this for the boys and girls of your orphanage.

A letter from J. P. Crawley expresses appreciation for The Baptist Record. He is somewhere in France.

## Answers To Know Your Bible

Feature on Page Six)

1. (Uses of cinnamon bark): The inner bark was used in the preparation of the precious ointment of the tabernacle (Exodus 30:23)—and also, mixed with other aromatic substances, were used for the sprinkling of bed tapestries.

2. (Authors of Psalms in Hebrew Bible): The following names indicated in the Hebrew Bible as authors of the Psalms are listed as follows: Moses (1), Solomon (2), Asaph (12), Heman the Ezrahite (1), Ethan the Ezrahite (1), the Sons of Korah (10), and David (73).

3. (Origin of the rainbow): It was a sign of God's covenant with Noah. (Genesis 9:12 and Ezekiel 1:23. Also rainbow in heaven, Revelation 4:3 and 10:11.)

4. (Book of Ruth): The author's object was to narrate an episode from the history of King David's ancestors, keeping in remembrance the descent of that monarch. Such descent occurred about one century before David. The genealogical table (although incomplete), and the fact that no writer would invent a Moabitish ancestress for the house of David, proves its historical character.

Inverness: Dr. W. S. Hardin of Drew was the evangelist during our revival and M. E. Perry of Leakesville conducted the music. General opinion is that this was our best meeting in ten years. Our pastor is L. J. Crumby, who has been with us a little more than a year. He is leading us in a very efficient way.—W. A. Price, reporter.

Large numbers of resolutions and letters concerning Miss Fannie Traylor are being received. We wish space permitted publishing all of them, but it's impossible. For The Baptist Record, the W. M. U. and all friends of Miss Traylor we say "Thank you."

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(Continued from Page One)

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In the first place, money was never so plentiful. This is evidenced by the already abundant giving. Bank deposits are also proof. Bond purchases surpass in each drive previous purchases. Bonds can be purchased in the name of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital and donated.

The Hospital was given one year for raising the \$200,000. Sixty days should be long enough. In fact, the time allotted for a war loan drive should be sufficient. Churches and individuals (including the writer) have already given. One church has put \$5,000 in its budget for the hospital. A Methodist layman has volunteered to give \$2,500.

This is our opportunity for seizing time by the forelock; for taking the tide at its flood and moving on to fortune. It is an opportunity which every Baptist, and other Christians and Jews should delight to participate in.

To succeed in a short period of time will mean a new day for Mississippi Baptists. It will beget new faith. We will turn our backs upon bond issues and debts and face a new day of cash achievements. Churches and individuals should not wait for the organization to reach them. It should be as the Lord has said: "Before they call, I will answer."

—BR—

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. H. T. McLaurin, Newton; Rev. D. T. Cranford, Charleston; Rev. V. R. Crider, Paynes; Mrs. C. J. Hughes, Forest; Rev. Wallace Harrell, Clarke College; Rev. R. B. Smith, Clarke College; Rev. J. Niles Puckett, Durant; Rev. J. B. Hemphill, Brookhaven; Rev. A. B. Pierce, New Albany; J. M. Moore, Carrollton; Rev. R. D. Pearson, Macon; Rev. R. O. Bankston, Mashulaville; Rev. J. L. Morgan, Pascagoula; Rev. J. L. Reeves, Pascagoula; J. D. Wallace, Sr., Newton; Rev. G. Lee McIntyre, Brooksville; Frank Skilton, Blue Mountain; Rev. Robert I. Martin, Benton; Rev. O. B. Chance, Clinton; Rev. and Mrs. John F. Carter, Louisville; Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, Philadelphia; Dr. W. A. Bell, Jackson; Mrs. George Gay, Okolona; W. Walter L. Johnson; F. H. Roberts, Jackson; Mrs. George Gay, Okolona; Dr. C. E. Snowden, Longview; Mrs. R. B. Stovall and Betty Ann Stovall, Jackson; Rev. H. D. Hawkins, Philadelphia; B. E. Turner, Madden; H. E. Denson, Madden; S. L. Dobbs, Calhoun City; Dr. Gerald Sulter; Mrs. Ray Powers, Pearl City, Jackson; Dr. R. B. Gunter, Florence; Rev. Jack J. Cranford, Vicksburg.

## WHY DO LOST SINNERS RESIST GOD'S MESSENGERS?

1. Sin does not like to be molested; it has fixed itself firmly in the heart of its victim. Its foundation is built over hell, and is shrewdly covered by the devil who has camouflaged it with lives. Therefore, the devil is the master of all lost sinners, and his biddings the sinner will do because his nature is the same as that of the devil. The devil is not comfortable in the presence of God, neither is he comfortable in the presence of God's messenger. The reason for this uncomfortableness is that God's messenger has the light that discovers, and reveals the faulty foundation upon which the sinner is trusting, and once the sinner comes to face the truth, and realizes his wretchedness, he is ready to break with sin and Satan, and to seek God, his Saviour.

2. Another reason why the lost sinner resists God's messenger is, that the devil has lied to him concerning the messenger. He often accuses the servant of God of being a seeker of some gain for himself instead of being a seeker to impart a blessing. God's messenger is a beggar, but not for himself; he is begging the poor spiritually blind, bankrupt, indebted sinner to accept the free gift of God's saving grace; the grace that sets him free. He is a bound slave, but he does not know it. He calls it freedom without any restrictions. But he is a slave to sin and the devil, and the will of the devil he will do until all of the foundation upon which he has been relying shall collapse, and his eyes shall then be opened as he takes his final plunge beneath the boiling, flaming, liquid waves of a devil's hell. And then he would welcome some one who was able to help; his agonies shall be increased a hundred fold when he reflects upon the ones who sought to impart to him the truth, but were not permitted because of the rebellion in his own heart and whom he shunned and refused, not knowing that it was God that he was resisting instead of man. But the Lord Jesus said to his servants, "Go." "He that receiveth you receiveth me." It is God's message that his servants carry to a lost world.

3. How then shall we reach them for God?

We must go whether we are welcome or not. Jesus said go preach to every creature. He further said, in Matt. 10:14, "And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet." He further shows that the person who refuses to hear the message of God at the mouth of his servant is worse than the heathen Sodomite, and shall be under greater condemnation in the day of judgment. A jolt like this from God's word might awaken some to serious thought, but if it fails, we must give them up, and go on to minister to others. God sometimes gives men up; He gives them over to a reprobate mind, and

Benoit: Recently a young deacon (one of three young men who were ordained as deacons recently) brought a friend of his whom he had been trying to win to Christ for some time; and we received him into the church, and I baptized him on the spot, his wife also coming by letter. Thank God for a soul winning deacon. That made eleven persons we have received at Benoit within the last three weeks, and there are more to come.—E. G. Evans, pastor.

Pastor T. E. Swearingen, State Line writes that three were baptized on the first Sunday night, and three others came on profession of faith the following week. Bro. Swearingen is doing splendid work at State Line.

—BR—

Mrs. W. L. Culpepper, treasurer of Liberty church, Lauderdale County Association sends a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions.

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### SOLDIER-PREACHER PACKS CHURCH

Santa Fe, N. M.—(RNS)—When Private Willis Holmgren, Norden bombsight mechanic at Kirtland Field, Albuquerque, received a two-week furlough, he spent it conducting an old-fashioned revival meeting at the suburban and non-denominational "Alameda Community Church." Holmgren, 27, studied for the ministry before the war and now serves as pastor during his hours off from the army.

When the soldier-preacher took over the Alameda church its Sunday congregation averaged from fifteen to twenty persons. It now is nearing the hundred mark. Attendance at the services is outgrowing the small church home, so he has decided to erect a new canvas church. Members of the congregation and Boy Scouts have been busily at work clearing weeds and driving stakes in setting up the new place of worship.

"I volunteered for the army," Holmgren says, "because I believe it is as much the duty of a religious man to defend his country as anyone." He is awaiting orders for overseas duty. After the war he plans to return to his Alameda church.

then they are hopeless; for, except the Father draw them they cannot come to Christ. But it grieves us and breaks our hearts to give people up. It broke the heart of Christ when He gave Jerusalem up, and He wept over it. They refused to yield to His preaching, and despised Him; therefore He would not force them, for salvation is by free choice only. We may insist and persuade through the preaching of the gospel, but it is the individual that makes the choice.

Though we may toil among the wasting sheaves with deep travail of soul, 'tis not all in vain for we snatch some as brands from the burning, for our Master's glory.

Though many of our nights are sleepless, and our days are filled with toil and tears; we faint not, neither are we discouraged, for our Lord traveled this road before us, and we follow after Him. He bade us go work in His vineyard with the promise: "And lo, I am with you." We are not lonesome—just filled with compassion for souls for whom Christ died. That's what makes us weep, and that's what makes us toil.—J. S. Dorroh, Vardaman, Miss.

## "LET US PRAY"

By R. Paul Caudill

In planning the schedule for the Centennial Crusade of the Southern Baptist Convention, the committee has sounded a note that must be of primary concern to every church, if we are to lay hold on that for which we were laid hold on by Jesus Christ during the centennial year. I speak of the role of prayer.

We can no more hope to have a great ingathering of souls, without a deepening of our prayer-life, as a whole, and without a genuine spirit of contrition, confession and consecration, than we could hope to move a mountain of stone from its age-long foundation by the mere wave of the human hand.

The spirit of revival does not come by wishful thinking. Neither is it to be achieved by the mere manipulation of programs and machinery. Luke tells us that on the day of Pentecost when there were added unto the church souls by the thousands, "they continued steadfastly in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and the prayers." Moreover, Jesus, being moved with compassion for the multitudes who were "distressed and scattered, as sheep not having a shepherd," declared unto His disciples, "The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:36ff).

Jesus said that men "ought always to pray, and not to faint" (Luke 18:1). And again He said, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you" (John 15:7). Furthermore, He Himself dwelt in the spirit of prayer. Before the choice of the twelve, He went out unto the mountain to pray, and continued all night (Luke 6:12). He prayed on the way to Gethsemane; and as He suffered long in the garden, He poured out His soul in intercession. On the cross, His last words were spent in communion with the Father.

The centennial committee, therefore, realizing the importance of the role of prayer in the crusade, has designated January 1-5 as "United Prayer-Week." It is hoped that every church in the Convention will observe the week by conducting special services of prayer each evening—Monday through Friday—and that in the spirit of sackcloth and ashes we may cry out for forgiveness, and with broken and contrite hearts rededicate our all to the glory of His imperishable kingdom. Let us begin now to plan for this epochal week. Let us pray!

—BR—

Beulah church, Jones county: On November 7 Mrs. Mae Welch and Mrs. George Raynor from Bethlehem church helped us organize a Woman's Missionary Society. There were 14 members present and officers were elected. Pastor W. W. Allred was elected Bible study leader.—Mrs. T. O. Sumrall.

Postmaster General Frank C. Walker says that the public response to the "Shop Now! Mail in November" campaign has been good but needs to be better. Because of wartime conditions and the critical man-power situation "We urge everyone to buy now, mail in November and mark gifts, 'Do Not Open Until Christmas.'"

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